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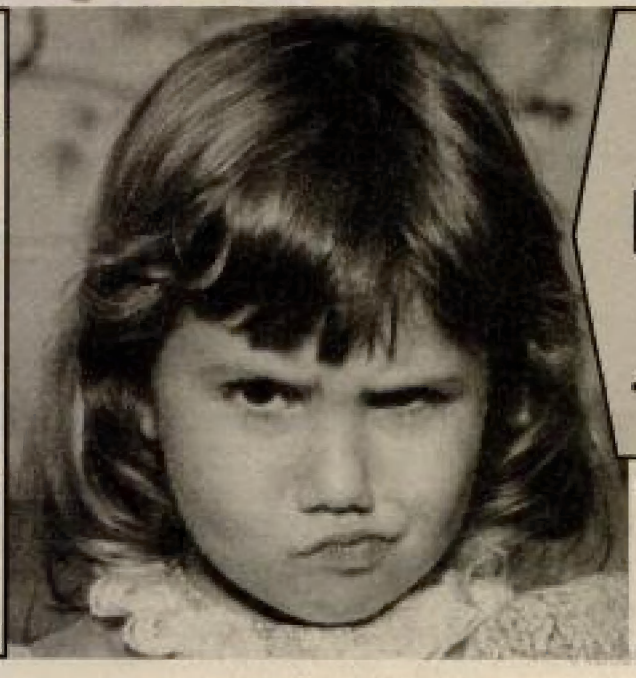

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444,000 miles

ROLLING ALONG! Proud owner Geoff Yelton sends his '74 Gremlin into high gear.

The car that would not die!

Lawyer Geoff Yelton's 1974 Gremlin looks like a wrinkled old relic, but it's a well-traveled tribute to American know-how — 444,000 miles and still going strong.

The original engine and transmission have powered the amazing car through 48 states, six provinces of Canada and Mexico. The clutch and brakes have been replaced just four times.

"It doesn't look spiffy, but when you crank up the motor it purrs like a kitten," said Yelton, 33, who affectionately nicknamed his Gremlin "The Beast."

"I get kind of a sick satisfaction when I zoom past newer cars that are broken down at the side of the road," he said. "I'm going to drive the sucker till it quits or I do."

The Anderson, Ind., attorney bought "The Beast" new for $2,500 when he was a senior in high school in October 1973. It has had one valve job since then.

Yelton's incredibly durable car was featured in a 1984 edition of *The NEWS*. "I've put another 137,000 miles on it since then," he said.

Yelton said he still changes the oil and tunes up the car every 10,000 miles. Bailing wire keeps the grille in place, and his air-conditioning system is a small fan mounted on the dashboard.

The battered old heap has towed a boat trailer to Canada and made a 3,200-mile round trip to Texas since Yelton last talked to *The NEWS*. "I visited a friend in El Paso and he gave me a pet goat to take home with me," he said.

"The goat rode in the front with me all the way back."

He has driven the grand old Gremlin up and down mountains and across sizzling deserts.

American Motors stopped making the Gremlins in 1978. Maybe they should have talked to Yelton first.

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Now take a look at the world's most expensive lemon — See Page 35.

THE BEAST is beaten and battered but keeps rackin' up mileage.

'74 Gremlin STILL eats highways for breakfast

French werewolf jailed for life

The dreaded werewolf of Perigord, France, has been jailed for life.

Francis Leroy, 49, got his werewolf nickname for his frenzied attacks on people at full moon. He was convicted of murder, rape and 15 other offenses.

Leroy claimed he went berserk every time he saw a full

HOLLYWOOD werewolves have

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Wedding stampede kills seven

Seven women were trampled to death and 22 others injured at a wedding party when the lights went out — and they panicked.

The bizarre stampede occurred in the southern Saudi

Cops accuse pair of murder

Sisters kill stepmom for kicking their dog

ACCUSED of murder, sisters Laura, left, and Lisa Finkle are both in handcuffs as they listen to court proceedings.

By PETE COOKE

A waitress was brutally murdered by her stepdaughters when she came home and kicked the family dog, cops said.

Lisa Finkle, 24, and her 19-year-old sister, Laura, were booked for murder in Troy, N.Y., after their stepmother, Carol Finkle was found beaten and stabbed in the living room of her home.

VICTIM kicked the dog be-

Authorities said the 42-year-old waitress came home from her job at the Empress Diner and kicked Muffin, the family's Pekingese, as she walked into the house.

A bitter argument erupted between Mrs. Finkle and the two sisters. Cops said the argument ended when Lisa struck her stepmother with a large wrench. As she lay on the living room floor Mrs. Finkle was stabbed up to 100 times.

After the vicious slaying the sisters drove to a nearby fast food restaurant where they dumped the wrench and knife in a garbage can, investigators said. Then, hoping to establish an alibi, Lisa and Laura stopped off at a supermarket to buy a loaf of bread, police said.

When the sisters returned home they phoned authorities to report that they'd just discovered their stepmother's body. "They acted as though they were shocked so they would not have to speak to the police," said prosecutor James Canfield.

But according to Police Chief David Schindler, the sisters were considered suspects in the murder "right from the beginning."

After being questioned by detectives Lisa and Laura were charged with murder. They pleaded not guilty.

In her statement to police, Laura, the younger sister, claimed she stood watching in shock while Lisa killed their stepmother.

MOTHER of suspects, Gail Dubuke weeps during hearing.

had been staying with their father, Peter Finkle, and stepmother for a few weeks before the slaying. Lisa had been living with her boyfriend in Stuyvesant, N.Y., until they recently broke up, and Laura lives in Silver Springs, Fla., with her mother.

"Lisa and Laura were good kids, which is why this seemed so out of character," said one

Family moves and forgets to take kid

A Fremont, Calif., family packed up their belongings and moved to a new home — then discovered they'd left a 4-year-old son behind.

Apartment house manager Valerie Cargo found the terrified toddler alone and crying in an empty apartment after the family hit the road.

"He thought everybody had left him," she said.

Family members compared notes four hours later when they reached their new home in Union City and realized nobody had packed up the boy. An older sister was sent to re-

HEADLESS GHOST DRIVES COUPLE FROM THEIR HOME!

THE Gaits saw this picture of the ghost, taken in 1943, but didn't believe it was real.

Terrified pair have moved into a motel

By IRWIN FISHER
in Paris

The ghost of a woman who was decapitated in 1898 has driven a terrified couple out of their home!

Belinda and Louis Gaits first encountered the headless specter when they moved into a 150-year-old home south of Paris on June 24.

The young couple initially thought they were losing their minds. But when the ghost appeared in their bedroom and told them to "Get out!" for the next six nights, they realized that they weren't crazy — and moved into a motel. "The house is haunted. The ghost is real," Mrs. Gaits told newsmen. "The woman appeared out of nowhere with her head in her hands.

"The eyes blink and the mouth speaks. It says: 'You do not belong here. Get out.' "

Historian Guy Bujon has never seen the ghost but is thoroughly acquainted with legends that describe it. As the story is told, 73-year-old spinster Catherine Dodry was raped and decapitated in her home in 1898. And her restless ghost has roamed the old house terrorizing occupants ever since.

The last family to live in the house left in 1947, said Bujon. The home remained empty until the Gaits couple bought it in June.

They had heard people say that the stately old home was haunted and actually saw a picture of the ghost that was taken in 1943. But they didn't believe the specter existed until they made their down payment and moved in.

"Some people think this is some kind of joke but it's not," said Gaits.

"I bought the house with hard-earned money. I sure as hell wouldn't be living in a motel if there wasn't something wrong.

"I don't suppose the ghost could hurt us," he added. "But it's terrifying just the same."

Gaits and his wife are thinking about hiring a lawyer to get back their down payment and nullify their mortgage agreement because the house is haunted by the ghost.

The real estate agency that sold the house refuses to comment on the ghost or the possibility of the Gaits' complaint ending up in court.

A spokesman did say that the couple were made aware of the legends and were advised to take them into consideration before they bought the house.

Clothes-minded experts help bigwigs dress for success

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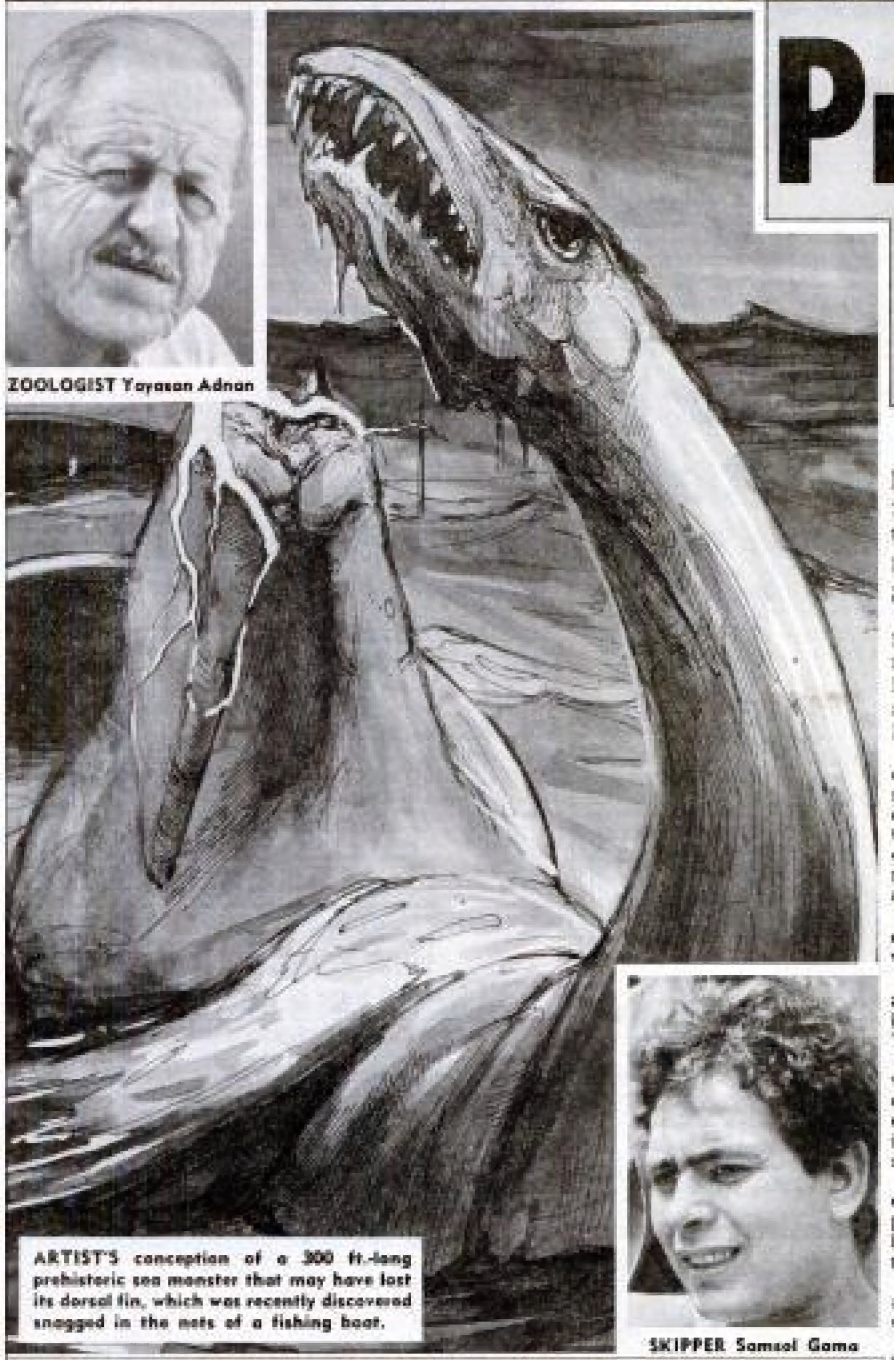

ARTIST'S conception of a 300 ft.-long prehistoric sea monster that may have lost its dorsal fin, which was recently discovered snagged in the nets of a fishing boat.

SKIPPER Samsol Gama

By MICKEY McGUIRE

The dorsal fin of a prehistoric sea serpent has been found in the nets of an Indonesian fishing boat. And its size reveals a terrifying truth — it came from a creature that would measure the length of a football field from goal to goal.

The section of fin itself measures an incredible 73 feet long and would have towered three stories tall before it was ripped from the huge sea serpent's body, apparently by a bolt of lightning.

They find huge fin that came from a creature as long as a football field!

A wire service dispatch quoted one expert as saying the sea monster is some form of ichthyosaur, a prehistoric marine reptile that roamed the oceans of earth during the Triassic period more than 200 million years ago.

And the expert said the loss of its dorsal fin most likely would not be fatal.

"The length, width, height and mass of the fin were fed into a computer," zoologist Yayasan Adnan said.

"When hypothetical data were added, we were able to create an image of what the creature looks like and approximately how large it is," he said.

"The computer image is that of an enormous, snake-like serpent that would measure at least 100 yards from tip of its nose to tip of its tail.

"That, I understand, is equivalent to the length of the standard American football field."

The huge, jet-black fin was pulled from the Pacific directly over the Mariana Trench — the deepest waters on earth — by the crew of the 95-foot trawler *Surabaya*.

"We knew we had something very, very big in our net because the winch was having so much trouble taking it in," explained the fishing trawler's young 29-year-old skipper Samsol Gama.

"But when we first laid eyes on our catch, we thought it was just some part of a submarine that had come loose in a storm."

The fin was kept under wraps by the crew of the *Surabaya* during the remainder of their fishing catch until the *Surabaya* docked in Singapore.

"I went to Singapore at once because the description of the fin was most intriguing," the marine expert said. "I came not a moment too soon. The thing was too large to go into the ship's freezer and it had been left on deck where it was rotting.

"Nevertheless, there is no doubt that the fin is from some prehistoric class of marine life once very abundant in the Triassic period of the Mesozoic era.

"It is truly the single greatest discovery in scientific history.

"We must keep in mind that there have been reports of sea monsters sighted in the oceans for centuries.

"It would seem those fanciful stories could very well be true.

"Remember, if there is one such creature living in the Trench, there is every reason to suspect there are many more."

Adnan said photographs, videotapes, portions of the sea serpent's flesh and other scientific data will be made available to marine zoologists and to ocean scientists throughout the world.

What would YOU do with a million bucks?

What would you do if you won $1 million in the lottery? If you're like most folks, you'd pay off your debts and share your luck with loved ones.

A telephone survey by Strategic Research of St. Louis, Missouri, found that 63 percent of people say they'd pay off their debts if they won $1 million. Another 44 percent report they'd buy a house. A third of people say they'd start their own business, while a fifth say they wouldn't work at all. The good news is 81 percent of respondents said they would share their new riches with friends, relatives or charities. And more than two-thirds expected their windfall to last them the rest of

Torched teen gives birth

. . . after angry dad sets her ablaze

By PETE COOKE

A furious father set his pregnant teenage daughter on fire, according to cops, who said that the horribly burned teen was rushed to a hospital where she gave birth to a bouncing baby girl!

Authorities in Akron, Ohio, said Kimberly Richmond, 17, suffered burns over 70 percent of her body.

The teenager, who was 8½ months pregnant, got into a bitter argument with her father, Joseph Richmond, and the 41-year-old factory worker set her ablaze. "We don't know what the fight was about yet," Police Capt. Jerry Foys told *The NEWS*. "She can't tell us and he won't tell us."

Kimberly was rushed to Children's Medical Center, where she gave birth to a 4-pound baby girl several hours later. "The baby's in great shape," said hospital spokesman Caro Wallace. "She's a little small but she's doing really well."

Kimberly, however, was listed in serious condition in the hospital's burn unit.

"Basically, Kimberly suffered burns down the whole front of her body," said Miss Wallace. "She is on a respirator and is heavily medicated because of the pain."

The father was arrested for assault, but police said he may face additional charges when the case goes to a grand jury.

"The father said he didn't mean to burn her, he merely meant to scare her," Maj. Leonard Strawderman of the Akron police department said.

Man can't duck punishment for fowl deed

Robert Yarsky was fined $750 and ordered to spend two days a week teaching a duck to waddle safely across a street.

Yarsky, 20, got the duck tutoring sentence for mowing down Danny, a neighborhood duck in the Cleveland suburb of Strongsville.

Danny used to waddle happily across a road to swim in a creek next to the Ohio city's fire station. One day he didn't make it. Cops said Yarsky's car crushed him to death.

Yarsky pleaded guilty to a second-degree misdemeanor. He must pay the fine, read a book on ducks, buy a replacement duck and teach it how to cross the street.

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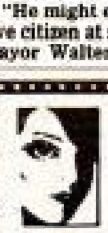

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You'll get smarter as you grow older

. . . says expert on aging

By SUSAN JIMISON

Here's good news for old folks. They actually get smarter as they age!

Even though the elderly may have trouble with their memory, research has revealed that they become better at making judgments and solving problems.

"When people say 'Old Granny's lost her memory,' there's generally a little truth in it, but not as much as people make out," explained John Horn, a psychologist at the University of Denver who has conducted a major research project on aging and intelligence.

"But the ability to bring to mind and entertain different facets of information improves in many people over their vital years."

Horn and other researchers believe that, provided an older person is generally healthy, there is no reason why mental faculties should decline after middle age.

Old folks can stay bright and mentally alert, especially if they meet three crucial criteria. According to the experts, smart oldsters generally have stayed socially involved, maintained a flexible personality and remained mentally active.

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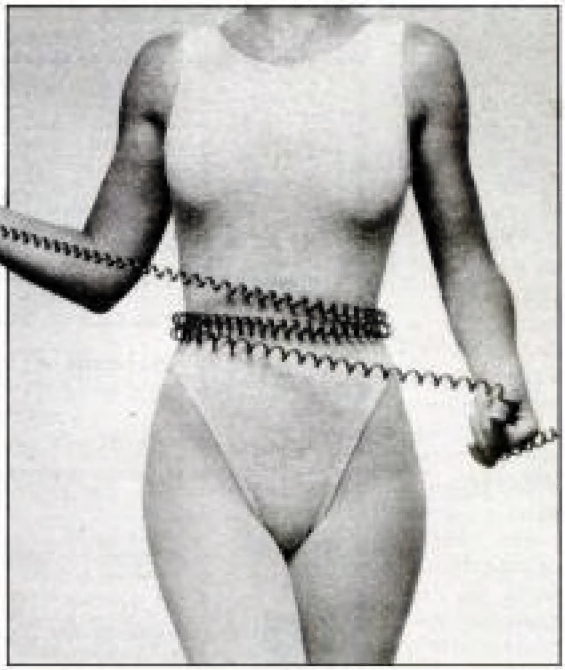

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By SUSAN JIMISON

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Sadistic sex fiend raped and murdered 5 teenage girls!

Outraged Supreme Court astices in California have ow cleared the way for the adistic sex fiend to go to ie gas chamber, calling his rime "one of the most hor- endous murder cases ever ried in the state."

The 48-year-old Burbank res- lent, who had a genius-level IQ of 138, lured his helpless vic- tims to his van, where he raped and murdered them. He record- ed the dying screams of his vic- tims and photographed their nude and mutilated bodies.

"Bittaker is a fiend," said prosecutor Stephen Kay. "He horrified me.

"In my argument before the jury I apologized because we would only give him the death penalty. I said I wished we could do to Bittaker what he did to those poor tortured girls. He deserves that — he's a monster."

According to court records, Bittaker and Roy Norris — a convicted rapist Bittaker met in prison — launched a reign of terror in Southern Californ- nia in 1979, kidnapping young hitchhikers and beachgoers over a period of months.

Prosecutors say the two men killed Lucinda Shaefer, 16, An- drea Hall, 18, Jacqueline Gil- liam, 15, Leah Lamp, 13, and Shirley Ledford, 16. They pre- sented evidence at Bittaker's trial showing the man clubbed his victims with sledgehammers and stabbed them through the ears with ice picks, puncturing their brains.

He brutally raped the girls while Norris took snapshots of the acts. He mutilated the vic- tims' bodies with pliers and recorded the agonized screams of two victims on tape so he could enjoy them later.

"That tape recording was the worst thing I've ever heard," Kay said. "Everybody who has heard it has had psychological problems afterwards. It's just terrible.

"I've had nightmares for two years since hearing the tapes, but Bittaker used to lis- ten to them while he drove around in his van."

Norris admitted his role in the murders and testified against Bittaker, insisting it was Bittaker who wanted the girls killed so that they could not identify their tormentors.

In 1981, Norris was sen- tenced to 45 years to life in prison and Bittaker was given the death penalty.

Bittaker appealed his con- viction, claiming that errors made during the trial had pre- vented him from getting a fair hearing, but appeals judges re- jected his claims.

"The evidence was graphic and compelling, showing not only the defendant's commis- sion of the crimes, but also his careful and deliberate plan- ning of the crimes, the aston- ishing cruelty with which they were committed and his intent to continue to commit crimes of this character," wrote Jus- tice Allen E. Broussard.

"Bittaker not only demon- strates, but glories in his readi- ness to commit murder, rape and torture. The defendant de- served the death penalty."

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A California researcher has developed liquid sunglasses that come in a bottle — and are applied with a dropper!

Ophthalmologist Neville Ba- ron, of the University of South- ern California's Doheney Eye Institute, says that a few drops of a harmless chemical called chromophore absorbs 98 per- cent of harmful ultraviolet rays for up to eight hours. Baron has submitted his pro- posal to the Food and Drug Ad- ministration for approval. Bar- ring complications, the liquid sunglasses could be available in just a few years.

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Rich hermit wants to give away $60M!

MONEYBAGS Jourdan Alves says he'll give away all but $10,000 of his wealth.

A wealthy hermit is giving away $60 million because money doesn't mean anything to him — and he's tired of people begging for cash!

My money is a curse, says oldster

"What does money mean to me? Nothing!" Jourdan Alves, 67, told newsmen in Rio de Janiero, Brazil. "It's a curse and a burden that I can live without. I intend to leave this world the same way I came into it — without a shirt on my back. All this wealth is more trouble than it's worth. Everybody's got a hard luck story and wants me to give them a hand. I'm tired of it. Let someone else worry about the money. I just feel sorry for anyone who thinks money is going to make his life any better than it already is."

Alves, who never married, inherited the fortune from his industrialist father when he was 21 in 1943.

In spite of his wealth he lived like a pauper in a one-room apartment and supported himself by selling an occasional poem to Brazilian newspapers and magazines.

According to reports, Alves managed to live alone in obscurity until a business newsletter named him as one of Rio's wealthiest citizens last fall.

"My life became a nightmare after that," said Alves. "People wrote letters and knocked on my door day and night begging for money to finance all sorts of schemes.

"I thought I could handle it, but now I know better. That's why I have decided to give the money away."

Alves says he will give the money to six charities in Brazil. He plans to keep less than $10,000 for himself.

He's also leaving his apartment in Rio to get away from the "sharks who are still trying to knock down my door.

"I don't know why I never cared about money," he continued. "I guess it's because I grew up rich and learned early on that it couldn't buy happiness."

Bear crashes backyard pool party!

A 300-pound black bear barged through a backyard pool party, chased a herd of horses and roamed around a quiet neighborhood for five hours before he was captured.

Treva Smart was showering when her husband hollered, "There's a bear out yonder," in the backyard of their home in Kings Mountain, N.C.

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PRINCESS GRACE HEALS THE SICK — FROM BEYOND THE GRAVE

OVERWHELMING evidence of the late Princess Grace's current healing power has prompted Vatican bigwigs to consider her for sainthood.

Monaco's late Princess Grace has reached out from beyond the grave to cure countless blind and dying fans — and Vatican bigwigs are so impressed they may soon declare Grace a saint!

"In death, the Princess has become a true miracle worker," said Roman Catholic Bishop **Pietro Pintus,** who asked the church to canonize the beloved lady. "The evidence of her healing power is overwhelming."

Thousands of ailing pilgrims began flocking to Grace's glittering white tomb after a totally blind teenager knelt to pray at the foot of the marble monument — and suddenly saw the light for the first time in her life.

Stunned **Gladys Arteur,** 14, says the gorgeous former actress first appeared to her one night during a peaceful dream.

"I felt very calm and happy," recalled the French schoolgirl. "I wasn't sure who this beautiful blonde lady was, but she told me, 'You must go and pray on my tomb in Monaco Cathedral. I'm Princess Grace and I want to help you.' "

Gladys' mom rushed her to the tomb — and moments after she arrived, the thrilled teen discovered she could see.

And the Princess' gentle spirit has be healing the blind, the lame and the ing ever since. — *Dublin Sunday Wo* and *London People*

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Aging rockers like **Ted Nugent** The Who's **Pete Townshend** have m to fret about than middle-age spre and receding hairlines.

Most of the oldie-but-goodie gui pounders are going stone-cold deaf fr

ening to their own ear-splitting licks. ownshend is plagued by tinnitus, a m of deafness that causes a painful ring in the ears.

"It's not only that he can't hear, but ither awful noise takes the place of t he misses," buddy **Roger Daltrey** *Musician* magazine.

nut Nugent says that's nothing, man. "Pete Townshend has good hearing ppared to me," groaned the heavy-al blaster. "My left ear is just there balance my face, because it doesn't k at all."

elatively mellow ivory tickler **Billy** l is so conscious of the danger of n decibels that he makes his little wear earplugs when she sits in on oconcerts. — *Palm Beach Post.*

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tar Trekkies are in for a shock when v peek into the latest book about r high-flying heroes — and find ptain Kirk and Mr. Spock having a affair.

n the book called *Scandals of ndar*, the dynamo duo boldly go re they'd never been before — into a other's arms.

he sick fiction has already drawn wrath of the handful of fans who've the misfortune to read it. And the s who turned out the new flick *Star k V — The Final Frontier* are a little ed, too.

"It's a sordid and shocking book," a Paramount Film spokesman. "We all true Trekkies to shun it." — *ndon News of the World.*

★ ★ ★

miable actor **James Garner** has called the last real man in Amer-And genuine Jim could be a shoo-in become California's next governor — nybody can persuade him to run.

t least that's the opinion of Demo-cratic State Sen. **Herschel Rosenthal**, who says the former *Rockford Files* star has one of the most recognizable kissers in the country.

The politico says Garner also looks good on a horse — and sitting tall in the saddle didn't hurt **Ronald Reagan** a bit.

But when Rosenthal pleaded with big Jim to toss his hat in the ring, the reluctant actor turned him down flat.

"I'm making $8 million a year. What do I need that for?" Garner reportedly twitted him. — *Chicago Sun-Times.*

★ ★ ★

Filmmakers had to snip away a bit of the video edition of the hit movie *Who Framed Roger Rabbit* — because a naughty animator stuck in a scene showing cartoon star Betty Boop topless.

"The scene is so quick no one saw it on the big screen," said an insider at Touchstone Home Video. But it was cut from the video version so kids wouldn't be punching the "pause" button for a better look, he said. — *London Sun.*

★ ★ ★

Chrome-dome director **Rob Reiner** advises fellow baldies to avoid a coverup, no matter how much they hate all that scalp shining up through their vanishing tresses.

"To me, people who wear hairpieces look so dumb," says the former "Meathead" Stivic on *All in the Family.*

"So bad, so dumb — much dumber than the guy without the hair."

The nude-noggin TV star turned moviemaker insists he'd never don a rug to conceal his lost locks.

"How could I hide it?" he asked. "It's gone. It's outta here." — *US Magazine.*

★ ★ ★

Saucy actress **Marsha Mason** has made enough of a mark in the movie world to land four Academy Award nominations. Now the leading lady is looking to peel off into a new career — as a race car driver.

The Goodbye Girl attended a racing school in California last summer and recently took a three-day refresher course in Toronto, Canada.

"I've always been interested in racing cars," remarkable Marsha told a reporter.

"I would have loved to have been a mechanic." — *Boston Herald.*

★ ★ ★

Old-moldie **Perry Como** is still out there singing up a storm — and he's grinning from ear to ear over the number of teenyboppers showing up for his laid-back concerts.

"What amazes me is all those young people — 18, 19, 20-year-olds — out there in the audience," said the sleepy-eyed sweater boy.

"I don't know if things are changing or their mothers say, 'This is your penance!' But they are out there." — *Winnipeg Free Press.*

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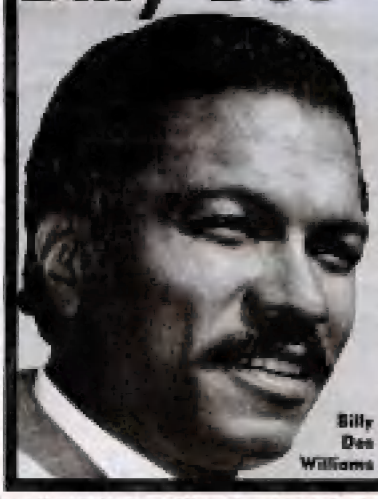
Pop singer **Sheena Easton** is doggone down on men.

At a recent concert the sexy songbird told gals in the audience: "If you want companionship, go to the pound . . . Dogs

Gal's dream date turns into a real nightmare!

Billy Dee Williams treated me like dirt!



Billy Dee Williams

Starry-eyed **Delphine Hamilton** was on cloud nine when she won a night on the town with macho movie idol **Billy Dee Williams**. But Delphine's dreams were dashed, she says, when the hard-hearted hunk treated her like dirt.

The embarrassed belle says had Billy met her at a Philadelphia nightclub as promised, but spent his time signing autographs and making business deals — while she sat alone and simmered the night away.

Then the callous actor and his entourage slipped off in a glittering limousine — leaving her without cab fare home.

"I was very humiliated, very upset," fumed disenchanted and disgusted Delphine, 30.

The flabbergasted gal won what should have been the date of a lifetime in a contest that was sponsored by a Philadelphia radio station.

She bought a dashing new outfit for the evening and borrowed her sister's $80 patent leather bag — which she somehow lost during the dream date disaster.

Then, when disconsolate Delphine learned Billy and his buddies were leaving without her, she burst into tears, ran to the limousine and asked about the cab fare she'd been promised.

Williams and company told her to take it up with the radio station, Delphine said. — *Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel.*

Gay shocker for Star Trek fans!

Pretty patches

Long-stemmed lovely Rea Ann Silva is a budding actress who's landed roles on TV's *General Hospital* and in the flick *The Wild Pair*. When she's not entertaining us, resplendent Rea puts a jingle in her jeans working as a professional makeup artist.

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Coupon queen gets CLIPPED

. . . when she's snagged in a counterfeit flim-flam scheme!

By JACK ALEXANDER

A hustling, bargain-hunting housewife was queen of the coupon clippers until she got clipped by the feds — who charged her with mail fraud.

"I'm just a little housewife. I've never done anything wrong in my life," said Connie Arvidson of Boca Raton, Fla., who could go to prison for 20 years.

Connie was making $7 an hour in a factory in 1982 when she clipped a 75-cent coupon from a box of diapers.

She was hooked solid from there on.

Realizing she could turn trash into cash, Connie, 33, rummaged through garbage bins at 3 a.m. searching for anything with a coupon or a rebate sticker.

The coupons brought her discounts on all sorts of items. The rebate stickers, along with a cash register receipt to prove purchase, was money in the bank. All she had to do was mail them in to the company.

The hustling homemaker scoured shopping center parking lots for discarded cash register receipts.

She talked neighbors into saving her their garbage and rewarded them with an occasional gift.

Connie soon learned there was a network of coupon clippers across America. People just like her who would buy other coupons and rebate stickers.

The clever housewife does not know how much money she has made from her coupon papers, but U.S. postal inspectors put the figure at $80,000 in recent years.

But coupon Connie ran afoul of the feds soon after buying 200 to 300 coupons from Texan David Rackmill and selling them for a profit to a woman in Ohio.

"I read in the coupon clippers magazine *Moneytalk*, that Dave (Rackmill) would sell the coupons in bulk collections for 35 cents each," Connie told *The NEWS*.

"I didn't know the coupons I bought and resold were counterfeit," she said.

But U.S. postal inspectors say she did, and have charged her with three counts of mail fraud and one count of conspiracy.

Connie pleaded not guilty and is free until her jury trial in Dallas.

Connie says she is an innocent victim of a system that allows magazines to exist that subtly teach people how to bend the law.

"I did not know the coupons were fraudulent until they (postal inspectors) told me," she said.

"They want to put me in jail, and I don't think that's going into the garbage, I'm reading these magazines . . . and these magazines are teaching people how to commit fraud.

"They want to put me in jail, and I don't think that's

SHE'S got coupons, coupons and more coupons, but clipper queen Connie Arvidson bit off a bit more than she could chew when counterfeit coupons found their way into her vast collection, which she resells for a hefty profit.

'Bedbugs are driving me NUTS,' says crybaby con

By SCOTTY PAUL

Crybaby killer Thomas Campbell sued prison officials because there were bedbugs in his cell — and won a $400 settlement.

The mealymouthed mass murderer smuggled 80 of the pesky critters out of Peterhead, Scotland's top security prison, in a letter to his lawyer, John Carroll.

"He claimed the bugs were driving him crazy and he couldn't sleep," said a prison spokesman.

"It pained us to pay him off, but legally he had a case."

Campbell, 35, was sentenced to 20 years in prison in 1984 for torching a house in which a family of six burned to death.

The tough convict, who had the initials "TC" tattooed inside his lower lip, was first attacked by the bedbugs when he returned to prison after major abdominal surgery in 1985. His body and bedding were crawling with the itchy creatures, he said.

The whining con claimed that prison officials should have taken better care of him because of his operation. Campbell said his bedding went unchanged for four days.

"He wanted $1,600 but his lawyer agreed to our settlement offer," said the prison spokesman. "At least he won't get to spend the money."

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IF Ed Anger has his way, tough, gun-toting terrorists like the one shown here will soon be singing high soprano!

I'm madder than a snail in a salt pile over our lily-livered response to those turban-headed fanatics who are kidnapping and killing innocent Americans in the Middle East.

What those sand-sucking slimeballs need is a big dose of their own medicine — Russkie style!

I just read a report about a couple of commie comrades who were kidnapped by these camel-jockeys a couple of years ago.

An elite squad of Russkie agents simply captured a relative of the terrorists, castrated him and sent him home minus the family jewels.

They also put a note in his pocket that their hostage buddies had better be set free pronto or there would be more cuttings to come.

Those yellow-bellied fig-gobblers turned the commie hostages loose so fast it would make your head spin. There hasn't been a single Russkie kidnapped by those towelhead terrorists since. Now I usually don't agree with ANYTHING those sneakie Russkies do, but if we've got any backbone, we'll do 'em one better! Let's face it, the U.S. Marines ought to take a few good men and turn them into Castration Commandos!

That way, whenever we needed to teach terrorists a lesson they'd never forget, we could arm this elite squad with some grass shears and parachute 'em in.

A snip-snip here and a snip-snip there and our problems with loonies in Lebanon would be over.

When I told my Uncle O.V. Potter about my idea he was peachy keen on the idea.

"Damn right, Ed," he said. "Make those sand fleas sing soprano!"

Uncle O.V. is right. Castrating terrorists is a super idea and I'd like to know what you think.

The results of the poll will be published in a future issue and I'll send your responses on to the White House.

MY AMERICA
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SHOULD WE CASTRATE TERRORISTS?

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Heartbroken dad kills himself on murdered daughter's grave!

By SUSAN JIMISON

Life wasn't worth living anymore for grieving dad Wally Mann after his little daughter died — so he joined her in death by committing suicide on her grave.

Cemetery workers found the body of the 36-year-old Newhall, Calif., man slumped across the wilting flowers that decorated the tiny plot of Sara Nan Hodges, 7. The child had been murdered in March and Mann had visited her burial place every day.

"He loved Sara," said Mann's ex-wife Linda Hodges after the tragic suicide. "Maybe it was just too hard for Wally. Maybe he couldn't go on without her, or maybe he wanted to be closer to her.

"I feel sad that there is so much pain and so much anguish. And now there is more."

Friends and relatives say that Mann had been unhappy since he separated from his wife four years ago and then lost visitation rights with his two daughters.

But when little Sara disappeared on March 23 and her body was found three days later, the loving father's world came apart.

Police arrested a 14-year-old boy in connection with Sara's death and charged him with murder and sexual child molestation. No revenge, however, could ease the burden of sorrow that weighed on Sara's grieving father.

MURDER of little Sara Nan Hodges, left, brought more grief than her father could handle. He committed suicide beside her gravestone, above.

near the hillside plot for hours. On July 10, he spent the day next to Sara's gravestone, painting the flowers and hearts carved in the granite with red

his head and then pulling the trigger.

The next morning a cemetery worker went to turn on the sprinkler system and discovered the body of Mann. He was lying across the grave of his daughter, his blood seeping into the arrangement on the little grave. Underneath it, authorities found a note expressing his love for little Sara.

"When they took away my visitation rights, they took half my life," Mann wrote.

Newlyweds' bedroom bugged by nosy neighbor

Passionate newlyweds Tony and Sue Nixon blushed with embarrassment when they discovered that a sneaky neighbor gent had put a bug in their bedroom.

By ROSE GRADY

And then they turned red with anger and called the cops to arrest the foxy "listening Tom," father of two, Derek Jones. The Nixons discovered a tiny listening device while browsing through the attic of their apartment house in Kidsgrove, England.

The super-sensitive microphone had been installed in the ceiling directly over their bed.

Lovely, 21-year-old Sue looked at her husband in shocked disbelief.

That was when the full impact of someone actually listening in on her pillow talk hit her. "My God!" she said. "Someone has been listening to us make love!"

Husband Tony traced the wires through the attic to where they entered the apartment of their neighbor, 28-year-old Derek Jones.

When police searched Jones' apartment, they found that the microphone was connected to his stereo set.

"It was a very sensitive microphone and a very powerful receiver," a Kidsgrove constable said.

"I should imagine that every coo, cuddle and cry could be heard in full stereophonic sound."

But Jones told a court judge that he hadn't put the listening device in the attic to eavesdrop on the cuddling couple's pillow talk — he just wanted to catch a burglar.

"I didn't know it was over their bedroom," he declared. "I just wanted to hear if anyone broke in through the attic."

His explanation did not soothe Sue's ruffled feathers.

"When I learned what he had been doing, I was really embarrassed," she explained. "Tony and I are a very loving couple and I dread to think what he might have heard when we were in bed together."

The judge sympathized with her distress and fined Jones $100.

But Sue Nixon was still livid. "We're very angry. It was all I could do to keep my husband from hitting that man. I had to hold him back by his shirt collar," said Sue.

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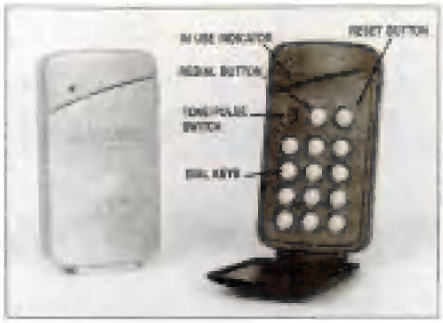

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MOMS ARE HOPPING MAD OVER HALF-PINT'S HOKEY HOAX!

22-year-old dwarf enters pretty baby contest — AND WINS!

'You look like my big sister!'

My, what big teeth you have! A little visitor at the Royal Ontario Museum in Canada is wowed by the museum's "living dinosaur."

By LAUREL BOWIE

Two dozen hopping-mad moms stormed the sponsor of a pretty baby contest with fire in their eyes after learning the pageant winner wasn't a babe at all — but a 22-year-old tobacco-chewing dwarf!

"The whole thing is outrageous," angry Irene Calarco, 20, told reporters in Rome, Italy.

'He was the cutest tot I'd ever seen,' says red-faced judge

"The judges must have been blind as a bat to pick that mean little runt over any of the darling babies in the contest.

"I'm not mad that my Tino didn't win — I'm mad that they chose someone older than his father."

Peewee prankster Sergio Vesel said he decided to enter the beautiful baby contest after reading about a dwarf who won a similar contest in Japan four years ago.

"I really didn't think I could pull it off, but I'm tickled I did," said sawed-off Sergio.

The judges' mind-boggling blunder came to light the next day when the mini mischief-maker — weighing 42 pounds and standing just over 3 feet tall — toddled into a newspaper office and spilled the beans.

"I told them all about it, spitting a little tobacco juice in their wastebasket for emphasis," the dimpled dwarf recalled. Pint-size Sergio showed up for the contest in a stroller pushed by a lady accomplice posing as his mom. He was dressed in powder-blue baby duds, with a matching blanket covering his legs.

"This is terribly embarrassing, but I have to say he looked like one of the cutest tots I ever saw," said businessman Angelo Bello, who helped judge the contest for the sponsoring toy company. "He has a sweet little baby face and twinkling blue eyes.

"We didn't get up close enough to smell their breath or check for tobacco stains on their teeth. We didn't think that was necessary."

When the hoax was exposed, red-faced sponsors announced that runner-up Louisa Barbeau, 18 months, would be crowned the winner.

"We don't have the guts to stage another pageant next year," said a befuddled company spokesman. "But if we do, you can be sure we'll be a lot more careful."

Steak thief gets beefed-up sentence

A Florida judge gave a man 20 years in the slammer for trying to walk out of a store with five steaks.

Johnell Warren, 27, of Orlando told the judge he was only trying to feed his family when he stuffed the sirloins down his trousers. But his honor didn't buy it and ruled that Warren deserved the meaty sentence.

DOG'S KISS CLEANER THAN YOUR HUBBY'S

Your dog's kiss could be cleaner than your husband's, says an expert.

"There are some bacterial organisms in animals' mouths," said Dr. Gary White of the University of Oklahoma Health Services Center, "but the number is low compared to those in people.

"The chances of getting a disease orally from an animal would be much less than the possibility of getting one from a human."

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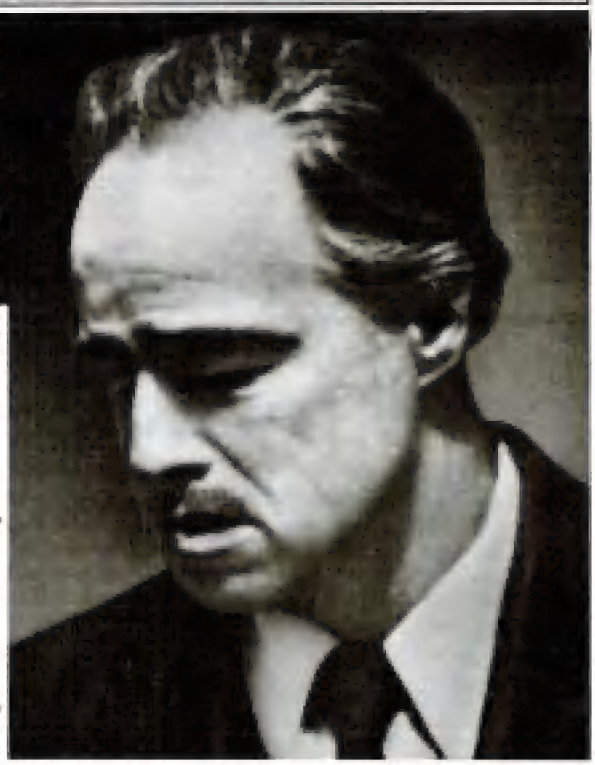

MARLON Brando appeared as a top Mafia chieftain in the bullet-riddled flick *The Godfather*. Today's mobsters face new threats: heart disease, high blood pressure, cancer and many other stress-related illnesses caused by their occupations.

Mafia gangsters are as likely to die from stress as from a bullet to the heart!

That's the word from pathologist Francesco Aragona, who says mobsters have worse stress than top corporate executives and often die because of it.

By TED CASTIGLIONI in ROME

After a 44-year study of Mafia corpses in Sicily, the expert concluded that the strains of life in the underworld had caused criminals to suffer such life-threatening, stress-related conditions as heart disease, high blood pressure and cancer.

He also found that the Mafiosi are prone to have:

- Shrunken livers and brains and failing kidneys from over-excessive drinking and poor diets.
- Stomach ulcers from living in constant fear of arrest, injury or death.
- Failing vision caused by years of straining to see while engaging in various criminal activities at night in poor light.
- Sterility, lack of bowel control, impotence and mental illness — all caused by extreme stress.

"The strains of violent criminal life lead to internal conflict and the individual can become extremely disturbed both physically and mentally," said Dr. Aragona, professor of forensic medicine at Italy's University of Messina. "Many of these mobsters have been in a state of extreme tension, agitation and alarm for a long time.

"As a result their bodies are constantly pumping out adrenaline, significantly reducing blood sugar and increasing pressure on the heart.

"Today's gangsters suffer horribly from stress. They can die from sudden heart attacks and strokes just as easily as if they were hit by a shotgun blast," he added.

The stresses suffered by Mafiosi are similar to those that plague executives in high pressure jobs but are much more severe, said Dr. Aragona.

"Crime doesn't pay," he concluded.

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Pesky grasshoppers use sun to save their skins!

GRASSHOPPERS eat millions of dollars in crops each year — and farmers are trying to kill them off.

Pesky grasshoppers are infuriating farmers and scientists by surviving a new pesticide — simply by sunning themselves!

Researchers have been trying to kill off the pesky crop munchers by using a natural fungus that's supposed to attack their bodies and put them to sleep permanently.

But the natural pesticide can't survive long in temperatures above 100 degrees, which is how hot the six-legged critters get when they're out trying to catch some rays — one of their favorite pastimes. Scientists are presently working on a different type of fungus that can withstand much higher temperatures.

Grasshoppers are responsible for destroying millions of dollars worth of farmers' crops each year.

Mama's boy keeps his 'mummy' at home — in a coffin!

He couldn't bear the thought of burying his mom

Bachelor Virgil Banks had always been a mama's boy, and when she died he couldn't bear to bury her — so he kept her corpse at home for 4½ years.

The mummified remains of 95-year-old Cassie Krouse were discovered in a homemade plywood coffin in a bedroom of her son's home in Vinita, Okla.

"She died of natural causes Feb. 3, 1985," said Police Chief Gene Williams. "Her son propped her body up in a rocking chair for two weeks while he finished her coffin." Banks, 74, had lived alone with his beloved mom for several years. "He waited on her hand and foot. They were all each other had," said Chief Williams. Weeks before she died, the aging mother told her faithful son she never wanted to leave their happy home. "Virgil promised that would never happen," said Chief Williams.

Old Cassie's corpse might still be back in the bedroom if Virgil hadn't kept sending her monthly welfare checks back to the welfare office.

"They wondered why the checks were returned because they thought she was still alive," said Chief Williams. "Virgil never got around to reporting her death."

Investigators from the state's Department of Human Services found the coffin and authorities were notified.

"Can you imagine what it must have been like to live in that house for the first few weeks after she died?" said Chief Williams. "The smell must have been horrible."

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She got the Cadillac and I got the bird

Dear Dotti: When I married Lisa I was a top lawyer in town and she was a barmaid without a penny to her name. At first she was grateful and kept our home clean and tidy. But last year she started giving me back talk and stopped doing her chores.

I put up with her for a while and then demanded a divorce. I knew I'd pay alimony but I couldn't believe it when she asked for all my property — and the judge gave it to her.

Lisa got everything — the house, my Cadillac and our furniture. Is that fair? — Used in Utah

Dear Used: Darn right! You wanted a maid, not a wife. Next time pay for a housekeeper — you pappy lawyers make enough money to hire help when you need it.

My snooty visitors don't like my cat

Dear Dotti: The snooty people who come over to my house always act funny and don't stay long because my cat sheds on the sofa and the hairs get on their clothes. It seems to me that people who visit should be more interested in my company and conversation than their clothes. Am I batty? How can I make folks stay awhile? — Puzzled in Kansas

Dear Puzzled: Don't be stupid. If people really liked you they would stay in spite of the hair. Stop blaming other people and the cat for your lack of company. There's obviously something wrong with you.

My honey wants a real hot tamale

Dear Dotti: My boyfriend and I have been together for three years but I'm miserable. He's Mexican and I'm American and that's the problem. He wants me to act like a Mexican and I can't. It's not that I haven't tried. It's just not in my blood. What can I do, Dotti? We have a 2-year-old daughter and she needs a mama and daddy who are happy together. Please help. — Miserable in Florida

Dear Miserable: What does this clown want you to do — eat tacos and pick fruit? Tell him you're American and proud of it. Then tell him I think he's a jerk.

Will a spanking help my sister?

Dear Dotti: My parents were killed in an auto accident. Now my 14-year-old sister is living with my husband and me — and turning our lives upside down.

She is very disrespectful. She won't lift a finger around the house. She stays out all hours of the night and when we ask her where she's been, she says it's none of our business.

I've asked my husband to be patient until she has time to get over the loss of our parents. But he wants to put her across his knee and spank the stuffing out of her. Who's right — me or him? — Desperate in N.J.

Dear Desperate: I'm sorry that you and your sister lost your parents but I agree with your husband on this one. Spank the fire out of this girl and get her back on track. One day she'll thank you for being so strict.

Father-in-law is a roaring drunk

Dear Dotti: My husband's father has moved in with our family and his behavior is driving me crazy. He drinks from the moment he gets up in the morning until he goes to bed at night and most of the time he's very nasty.

I have two young sons and I'm afraid the old man is setting a bad example. My husband doesn't want to kick his dad out. But I can't stand living like this any longer. What can I do? — Worried in Florida

Dear Worried: Is your husband blind or does he just hate your kids? Tell the idiot to send his drunk dad packing.

Confidential

Dear Footloose in Frisco: **Your boyfriend is lying — AIDS is ALWAYS lethal.**

Dear Lonely in Oregon: **If you're that ugly, why bother?**

Dear Baffled in Birmingham: **Tell him to set you up with an apartment and car or find another benefactor.**

Dear Sweetie in Roanoke: **Are you out of your mind?**

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Ask the Countess

Can you tell if my husband is sneaking around on me?

Dear Countess: My husband and I have been married for 17 years and until four months ago, he had never bought himself a nice suit. Suddenly he bought one. But instead of showing it to me he hid it.

A couple of weeks after that I found out that he had two more new suits and he was hiding those, too. I haven't asked him about it but I have a sneaking suspicion that maybe he's seeing another woman. Countess, is my husband being unfaithful to me? If not, what's with the suits? — Can't Figure It in Tennessee

Dear Can't: I'm afraid your husband is seeing another woman and has been for quite some time. He still loves you but feels like your marriage has gotten dull and routine. I want you to sit down and talk with him right away. Your marriage can be saved.

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Dear Countess: I have a recurring dream about a lovely little house in the hills. I can't help but think that one day I will live in this home and be very happy. Is it really my dream house? Will I ever live there? — Wondering in California

Dear Wondering: Your little house in the hills doesn't really exist. It is a symbol of security, serenity and happiness that you will soon find in your life. Open your eyes and look around you. The happiness you seek is right under your nose — just waiting for you to enjoy it.

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Dear Countess: I would appreciate it if you would tell me if my mother will change her will and leave me out of it. I need to know soon. — Anxious in New Hampshire

Dear Anxious: You were never in your mother's will and you never will be. I feel that you are hurting yourself by worrying about your relationship with your mother and her money. And I must warn you that you'll never find happiness trying to change things over which you have no control.

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Dear Countess: In the past six years my brother, husband, father, mother and son and two best friends have died. I'm not an old woman. I'm only 36. But I've just got to ask you: Am I next? — Worried in Washington

Dear Worried: Absolutely not. You have a grand purpose in life and you're going to fulfill it. I see you living to the ripe old age of 96.

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Fat mom squashes her kids to get sympathy, cops say

By PETE COOKE

In a bizarre bid to get sympathy, fat mom Martha Johnson laid down on top of her sleeping children and smothered them one by one, say shocked cops.

The woman, who stands 5-foot-1 and weighs 250 pounds, has been indicted for murdering three of her kids and is under investigation in the death of her fourth child.

Before her arrest, Mrs. Johnson, 34, chalked up the deaths of her four children to "bad luck." But under questioning by detectives in the Atlanta suburb of Jonesboro, she admitted killing two of her kids.

Mrs. Johnson, who has been married four times, told police she killed her children to get sympathy from her husband after they'd had a fight, said Lt. Jim Thompson.

Four children are smothered — one by one

"She admitted that in two of the cases she laid on top of her children while they were sleeping and smothered them," Thompson said.

All of Mrs. Johnson's four children died between 1977 and 1982. Authorities were suspicious after the deaths of the first two children, 2-year-old James, who died in 1977, and Tibitha, who was 3 months old when she died in 1980.

The cause of death in both cases was believed to be sudden infant death syndrome and no charges were filed against the mother after an investigation failed to find evidence against her.

A year later, in 1981, Mrs. Johnson's 3-year-old son, Earl, died mysteriously and again investigators were unable to file charges against the mother. Earl's death was attributed to a "seizure disorder."

In 1982, Mrs. Johnson's oldest child, 11-year-old Jennyann, was found dead facedown in her bed. The cause of death was listed as "unexplained asphyxia."

The case remained a mystery until last December when Atlanta reporters started asking questions about Mrs. Johnson for a story on the suspicious deaths of her four children.

"The inquiries to me caused a personal review of the file, which led to the case being reopened," said Ronnie Clackum, director of the Clayton County Police Department in Jonesboro.

Under questioning, Mrs. Johnson admitted killing two of her children. She was indicted by the Clayton County grand jury for murdering Tibitha, Earl and Jennyann, the last three to die.

Authorities in neighboring Fulton County are investigating the death of James, who was the first of Mrs. Johnson's kids to die.

ACCUSED killer Martha Johnson was indicted for three murders.

Kill AIDS victims, says religious leader

A top religious leader says that AIDS victims should be killed to protect society from spread of the disease!

"We should kill AIDS victims to stop them from harming the many members of society," declared Abdullah al-Mashad, leader of the Fatwa Committee, which rules on Islamic religious issues in Egypt.

"We must purge society of the AIDS patient because his existence causes public harm. The rights of the many should take precedence over the rights of the few."

Mashad said AIDS victims could be killed by denying them food, water and medicine.

Hubby shocks dead wife back to life

By JACK ALEXANDER

A heroic hubby made medical history when he zapped his dead wife with 2,000 volts from a portable defibrillator in their home — and brought her back to life.

Until recently, such life-saving machines were used only in emergency rooms, ambulances and cardiac-care units.

Ada and Roscoe Evans of St. Louis, Missouri, had leased the $7,500 portable unit less than three weeks before she suffered the deadly heart attack because she had a history of heart problems.

"I had no idea we would have to use it, but I thank God for that machine," said Roscoe.

The briefcase-size portable cardiac treatment system plugs into a standard telephone jack.

When Roscoe opened the unit, a built-in phone automatically dialed Jewish Hospital triggering a signal in the hospital's cardiac-care unit.

While a nurse rushed to the hospital's cardiac-care section, Evans attached two self-adhesive pads to his wife's chest.

The pads sent an electrocardiogram over the phone to the nurse, who also had computer access to Ada's medical records.

After reading the electrocardiograting condition, the nurse told Roscoe to defibrillate his wife.

The nurse sent an encoded signal over the phone that tells the defibrillator the level of the shock.

One jolt from the defibrillator's nickel cadmium batteries restored Ada's heartbeat.

Roscoe performed cardiac pulmonary resuscitation. Ada was conscious when paramedics arrived to take her to the hospital.

"We estimate telephone communications, diagnosis and treatment takes less than two minutes," said S. Eric Wachtel, chairman of MEDphone Corp., which makes the portable unit.

It is like a fire extinguisher, said Wachtel. "Whenever there is a medical emergency, it will be

HERO Roscoe Evans shows the two electrodes from a portable heart kit he used to shock his wife back to life with 2,000 volts. His wife, Ada, shown here with him, suffered heart failure.

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"The suggestion that the baby was killed may be between the lines, but it appears throughout the report," the biophysicist Milorad Gusavac told reporters.

"There is no doubt that the Soviets were shocked and maybe even a little frightened by whatever it was the alien mother brought into the world."

Gusavac said the infant's birth weight was 3 pounds, 7 ounces. It was slightly longer than 13 inches, and the shape of a football.

"It apparently had three appendages, legs or arms, that were covered with a thick coating of scales," he said.

"The head was similar to that of a lizard, with tiny black eyes, no nose and a single nostril. Skin color was described as being bluish."

As reported in *The NEWS* earlier, the adult aliens look like human children with the exception that they don't have mouths and are covered with microscopic, flesh-colored scales.

The latest documents to surface in Yugoslavia made scant mention of the adults.

They did contain a brief reference to the mother, who reportedly recovered from the delivery of her baby within minutes and showed no remorse over the death of her child.

"It would seem that the aliens have recovered from the injuries they suffered in the crash and perhaps have been moved to another facility," said Gusavac.

"We knew their priority was to get them healthy so that they could concentrate on finding some means to communicate.

"If that's what they're working on now, let's hope they succeed soon. Maybe then the Kremlin will go public with all this — and give the world the whole story."

CRASH of the starship was revealed in *The NEWS*.

ORDEAL is over for Cindy James, who's been found dead.

Mystery man stalks woman for 6 long years

— & FINALLY KILLS HER!

Pretty nurse Cindy James suffered through six years of nightmarish torment — only to be killed by the mystery assailant who had made her life hell.

And although frustrated police spent years looking for the man who stalked, sexually attacked and repeatedly tried to kill her, they've had absolutely no success in finding the doomed woman's eventual murderer.

"To have lived in terror for six years like that and then to have to face this . . . my mind just can't grasp it," said Cindy's grieving dad, Col. Otto Hack. "I'm devastated." According to police, family and friends of the Vancouver woman, Cindy's ordeal began shortly after her marriage broke up in 1983.

She was attacked in the garage of her home, stabbed, raped and strangled — but survived. Over the next six years, Cindy made 50 complaints to police, reporting that someone had left threatening notes, hung dead cats in her backyard, cut her telephone lines, smashed her windows and set fire to her house.

Once the attractive blonde was found with a stocking tied so tightly around her neck that she was unconscious and without vital signs. She was twice injected with a drug and her hand was pinned to the floor with a super-sharp knife blade threaded with a threatening note.

When intensive police investigation and surveillance failed to uncover the culprit, the terrified woman hired a private investigator. She installed an alarm system in her home and sought psychiatric help for the stress caused by her ordeal.

So bizarre was the woman's story that police at one point suspected she might actually be staging the incidents to get attention.

But their doubts were erased on June 8, 1989, when the body of the 44-year-old victim was found dumped near an abandoned house.

"She was lying on her side, fully dressed and one shoe was off," said Don Vinish, a city employee who found the body. "Her face was completely black — I think it had been punched in.

"A cord was wrapped around one ankle and a wrist. This definitely wasn't a suicide. You couldn't possibly put yourself in that position."

Police say they are investigating the nurse's death as a homicide.

They believe she was abducted from a shopping center and driven to the field, where she was murdered.

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MEET THE WORLD'S BIGGEST BRAT!

HER easygoing parents think 4-year-old Lizzie Clark's bratty behavior is "just part of growing up."

By MASON STERN

Little Lizzie Clark established herself as the World's Biggest Brat by spray-painting a leather sofa, gluing dishes and silverware to the dinner table and stuffing three ice cream sandwiches into her family's VCR!

The four-year-old terror tot did not stop there. According to judges who compared the child's shenanigans to those of 2,500 other kids in a French toy company's Biggest Brat contest, the girl from Lake Worth, Fla., also:

- Dumped marbles and jacks in a garbage disposal and turned it on.
- Stuck a fork in a cat.
- Dumped baked beans in an aquarium full of fish.
- Flushed two pearl necklaces and her mother's wedding ring down the toilet.
- Mixed a dozen Ex-Lax tablets in her dog's food.
- "Gassed up" her father's car with water from a garden hose.
- Helped her mother wash dishes — then shoved the entire setting off the counter top on to the floor.

"If she's not the world's top brat then I don't know who is," said Miriam Clark, the child's mother, of Lake Worth, Fla.

"I keep telling myself she's going through a stage but sometimes I don't know. She really is a sweet kid and she's smart as a whip.

"But it always seems like she's getting into trouble."

Dad, Darnell, is as easygoing as her mom. In spite of the girl's shenanigans he calls her the "apple of his eye" — and insists that her mind-blowing bratiness "is just part of growing up."

"One day we'll look back on all this and laugh our heads off," he said. "Don't get me wrong. We're not rich. trouble she causes really isn't anything more than an inconvenience."

The child doesn't like to talk about her behavior and angrily denies that she's a brat.

When a reporter asked her if she was "a bad girl," Lizzie scrunched up her face and kicked him in the shin.

Hit-and-run driver travels 3 miles . . . with a corpse in his lap

By JACK ALEXANDER

A speeding motorist knocked a pedestrian through the windshield of his car and kept going for three miles — with the dead victim lying in his lap.

George Kennedy, 28, was walking along Highway 401 near Toronto, Canada, when he was struck from behind by a speeding car.

"The impact threw Kennedy through the windshield of the car and onto the lap of the driver," said Police Officer Ken Moore. "Instead of stopping, the driver sped down the highway with the victim's mangled body before abandoning the car at the side of the road," said Moore. A cruising patrolman saw the smashed windshield of the parked car an hour after the accident.

He found Kennedy's dead body wedged behind the steering wheel. About five hours after the 2 a.m. accident, cops arrested Bradley Oliver, 28, at a hospital where he and two companions had gone for treatment of minor cuts from the windshield glass.

Oliver was charged with failing to remain at the scene of an accident and with driving while his license was suspended.

"Apparently Oliver panicked when the victim came flying into the front seat," said Officer Moore. "Two passengers in the car have given us details, but Oliver isn't talking."

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Fourteen newborns died after they succumbed to the intense heat in a pediatric ward because the hospital doesn't make enough money to purchase air-conditioning!

The pathetic tragedy occurred at Juarez General Hospital in Mexico during a recent heat wave.

The infants died from dehydration as temperatures outside the ward soared to a scorching 105 degrees.

"It's unforgivable to have our children without air-conditioning," said hospital Director Victor Manuel Jurado, as he took the time to wipe the sweat off the brow of a baby.

"Many times, the little ones get worse when they get here."

Jurado said the staff feels terrible over the deaths of the little ones, but he said they can do nothing to remedy the situation because the hospital simply cannot afford air-conditioning.

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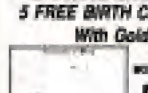

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Man killed by vegetable tossed from passing car!

By TERRENCE STONE

A 56-year-old man suffered a massive cerebral hemorrhage and died when he was hit by a turnip that was thrown from a passing car!

"He never knew what hit him," Lillian Merry said of her husband, Leslie Merry, of London. "We were walking down the street when we noticed a car coming toward us.

"As the car passed a turnip came flying out the window and hit Leslie in the back of the head. He groaned and slumped to the ground.

"I never saw him conscious again."

Merry remained in a coma for nine days before he died from massive bleeding in the brain. Police are continuing to investigate the incident.

And while they have no suspects, they believe that the man's death was an accident.

"A turnip isn't a traditional murder weapon by any stretch of the imagination," said police spokesman Bud Williams.

"I'd say that somebody threw it at Mr. Merry as a prank. Or maybe they just tossed it out of the car to get rid of it and hit him by mistake."

Ironically, turnips were the dead man's favorite vegetable, Mrs. Merry said.

"He ate them boiled, baked or raw," she continued. "Whenever I wanted to butter him up I'd buy a bunch of turnips. He dearly loved them."

TURNIP HORROR!

Grieving son kept grisly secret for 6 months

His daddy was a mummy!

Grieving son Louis Yager shut himself off from the world when his elderly dad died — and lived six months in the same house with the old man's mummified corpse.

By JACK ALEXANDER

Cops discovered the body of Ludwig Yager, 85, tucked in bed in the smelly, rat-infested home he shared with his son in Winnipeg, Canada.

"It's very sad," said neighbor Bill Schmidt. "The son just didn't want to part with his father."

Yager apparently died of natural causes last January 25, but it was impossible to perform an autopsy because of the mummification, said authorities.

There was no sign of foul play. The elder Yager's skin and vital organs were completely dehydrated or mummified, said medical examiner Terry Meindl.

The 55-year-old son might still be sharing the house with his dad's corpse if neighbors hadn't called the cops about the odor and piles of garbage.

The son met officers at the front door and guided them into the bedroom to see his dad. Police also found garbage scattered on the floor, crumpled $100 bills in glass jars and 18 bicycles. Young Yager often rode a bicycle.

"The son felt he killed his father by not changing the filter in the furnace," said Winnipeg health inspector Bill Harrison. He was very depressed, said cops.

Neighbor Lena Stetwick knew something was wrong when she saw young Yager eating his meals on the front porch. "He obviously couldn't stand the smell in there," she said.

Going my way?

Jasper the Magpie and Tiddles the Cat are such good friends they really enjoy playing together in the garden of their home in Melbourne, Australia. And when Jasper needs a lift to the bird-bath, he asks for a ride, hops on Tiddles' back and off they go!

Thanks for the lift!

Surfing cop lands crook

When a fleeing car thief jumped into the ocean, a quick-thinking cop called the coast guard for help — then hopped on a surfboard to chase the crook down.

The bizarre drama began when a patrolman stopped a car for speeding in Cocoa Beach, Fla. The unidentified driver ran away and other lawmen converged on the scene to join in the search.

Eventually, the guy was spotted swimming in the ocean behind a hotel. When the fugitive ignored officers' orders to come ashore, Lt. Michael Muldoon borrowed a surfboard and went after him.

A Coast Guard boat arrived a short time later and fished both men out of the ocean. The suspect was hauled off to jail on charges of auto theft and resisting arrest.

Day at the beach is too much for 2 escaped cons

By CHERYL FOX

Two teenage cons escaped from prison and spent the day at a nearby beach — then called the jail boss collect, pleading to go back to the hoosegow, officials say.

"They were a little scared and hungry," said Michigan state trooper Larry Mendendorp.

Cops said Mark Allen Fox and Charles F. Rohn, both 19, fled a minimum-security unit at the Michigan Reformatory at Ionia.

Later that day, prison Capt. Daniel Wilson accepted a collect phone call from the rattled escapees.

"They asked a bunch of questions, the kind you ask when you're scared," Wilson recalled. "They wanted to know what happens next, and I said that could best be determined by what you did.

"They're young, they had no place to go, no money."

Police picked up the two at a rest stop, fed them doughnuts and milk and returned them to the pokey.

Pot haul packed in pickled peppers

Custom agents seized four tons of marijuana in boxes which were said to contain six-pound cans of red hot pickled jalapeno peppers.

"I guess you could say customs picked pot packed in pickled peppers," said Joan Baran, a U.S. Customs Service spokesman.

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Fiendish physicians traffic in human body parts

By DANA WAITE

DOCTORS ARE STEALING OUR ORGANS!

Hundreds of people are being robbed of their kidneys, livers, hearts and eyes by doctors who knock them out during routine medical examinations and remove the organs to sell as transplants!

THIS VICTIM of the ruthless doctors lost an eye. Authorities say the organ was sold on the transplant market.

The body parts are jetted to major cities in Europe, South America and Mexico. Once there, unscrupulous surgeons give them to patients — including rich Americans — who paid as much as $20,000 for each organ, not including the cost of surgery.

"Organ trafficking is a very big business and we don't know how to stop it," Dr. Samuel Bakre of the Medical Board in Benin City, Nigeria, where the theft of body parts is rampant, told newsmen.

"As long as people need transplants and are willing to pay for them there are going to be doctors who will supply the demand.

"The tragedy of the situation is that they prey on simple, impoverished people who are unable to protect themselves. They visit a doctor in good faith and wind up missing a kidney, a liver or a heart.

"In one case a young boy was robbed of his eyes."

As improbable as it sounds, the theft of organs is really a simple procedure, said Dr. Bakre.

Unscrupulous doctors set up clinics in rural areas and offer free medical examinations to all comers. Once inside the patients are anesthetized and then prepped for surgery. When they wake up, the doctors are gone — and they're missing a kidney.

Hearts, livers, kidneys ripped out of unsuspecting patients

In the case of liver or heart removal the poor patients don't wake up at all.

"The clinics usually stay open less than 48 hours and that's how the doctors elude the police," said Dr. Bakre. "They get all the organs they can and then helicopter them back to the city.

"Messengers deliver them to doctors and patients all over the world."

So far, the illegal organ trade has flourished only in Europe, Mexico and South America.

But authorities say it's only a matter of time before it takes hold in the United States.

Quick-thinking granny beans mugger with scrub bucket

When gutsy granny Margie Searles saw a mugger beating up on a young woman, the oldster rushed to the rescue — and beaned the thug over the head with a scrub bucket!

Margie, 63, said she was just doing her "civic duty," but police in Philadelphia, Pa., plan to recommend her for a citizen's commendation.

The courageous lady swung into action when she heard Annette Sinnot, 29, screaming for help and saw a young tough attacking her.

She ran up and clubbed the mugger with her bucket. When he fled, Margie flagged down a police car and told lawmen which way he'd gone.

Ricardo Cahan, 29, was arrested and charged with robbery and aggravated assault.

"I just don't like to see any man beating up on a woman," said two-fisted Margie. "This is my instinct."

Musical condoms let you tune up your love life

The newest breakthrough in romance lets sweethearts put a little music into lovemaking — with musical condoms!

Believe it or not, a British manufacturing company is putting out a whole line of the pop-tune prophylactics, which are designed to play 30-second refrains from hit tunes.

"The list of possible songs is almost endless, but one requirement is that they should have a hitwf get up and go," said Nick Munyas, who developed the bizarre product. "We're sure the idea will catch on in a big way."

Munyas' firm has already bought the rights to the Beatles' song "Love Me Do." Short segments of the hit tune will be placed on tiny computer chips and fitted into the rims of condoms, where they will be programmed to go off at just the right moment.

"The music should start when the passion is at its greatest," Munyas said. "The chips are programmed to burst into song when the bodily movements reach a certain pitch. The Japanese have been using the same technology for years on singing birthday cards, singing cups and so on. But this is the first time it has been adapted for a condom."

Munyas has set up his own North West London company — called First Maxi — to produce the romantic prophylactics, which are to hit specialty shops by Christmas.

They'll sell for about $6 apiece, Munyas said. Meanwhile, he's looking for volunteers to try out the new products to see how they react to the rhythm of the songs.

Yuppie rats raid suburbs

Rats are fleeing the city by the hundreds to live in the suburbs and dine on gourmet garbage.

"They're yuppie rats," said Ernest Pontiflet, a supervisor with the Alameda County Vector Control Services District in Oakland, Calif. "They don't eat garbage when they get up here. They eat fruit and nuts and snails."

These "yuppie rats" are a breed known as the "roof rat," and they sneak into ritzy homes by climbing through vents or gaps in the roof.

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Ana Amezaga tells:

How I Lost 37 Pounds, 13 of them right in the first week.

***BEFORE:** Here I am one year ago. I weighed 152 pounds (I'm 5'3") and couldn't lose weight.*

Now I can eat as much as I like and I still don't gain weight. It seems unbelievable but I have lost my 37 overweight pounds without dieting. And I'm still eating the way I used to eat.

...without any dieting, without gaining back one single ounce afterward.

As you can tell from this photo, when I was 13, I was already quite overweight. In school I remember my classmates calling me "fatty". But even worse, I continued to get fatter and fatter. When I was 17, I already weighed 147 pounds, and I was only 5'3". Happily, that is all just a bad memory now. I wouldn't go through all that again for anything in the world.

When I met Alberto, my boyfriend, I said to myself, "Now I have to lose weight at all costs." In two months, I had already lost 17 pounds. But I have to admit that to get these results I had to follow a drastic diet, hardly eating anything. Later, when I started eating normally again, I got fat again. So in one month I gained back 22 pounds. I was desperate. Then I weighed 152 pounds and could no longer succeed in losing weight.

Several months ago, I was looking for a job. The only ones I was offered were hourly work with very poor pay. But the real problem was my excess weight. They don't hire a secretary who is a rolypoly.

I was becoming more and more frantic.

brother laughing. They were watching a TV movie. I was about to say "hi" when I heard his brother say, "Tell me, doesn't it bother you that Ana is so fat?" I didn't want to hear the answer.

With tears in my eyes, I went straight to my bedroom. That was the night I wrote to you.

I had already tried so many diets, capsules and other systems for losing weight that I thought, "Why not try one more thing?" Even more so because there was no problem with this method. Either I would lose 10 pounds per week until I reached my ideal weight, or it wouldn't cost me a single cent. I wanted to try this

I would have given a million to be sure of losing weight!

I must say though, that this time I did have hope. I had read the testimonials of many women who, like me, had not been able to lose weight. And who, with this method, had lost 20, 30, 40 pounds, even more. They said that it was the first time they had lost so much weight. I would have given a million for that to happen to me, too. Twelve days later, the postman gave me a plain, discreet envelope.

It seems unbelievable, but with

is really helping me. It was as if there were always someone at my side who had perfect knowledge of my problem and was lovingly guiding me until I reached my ideal weight.

You can't imagine how wonderful it is to have that sensation! I had the deep-down feeling that this time, I really was going to lose weight...and I was right.

Inside the envelope, along with the method, there was a very friendly letter with some advice that no one had ever given me before. When I read it, I understood why I had not been able to lose weight.

I started the method on a Thursday morning. And I have to confess that from that day on, it has been another life for me.

I was afraid of failing

...For the first few days, I didn't dare step on my scale because I was afraid I would still weigh 152 pounds. But after four days, I decided to do it.

It was Monday. That day was something of a disappointment for me: I had actually only lost about four pounds. But I continued anyway, because it said in the method that it was normal to lose just a little during the first days. But I was also encouraged to continue by the fact that I could still eat anything I wanted – dieting was not necessary.

Even so, I lost 13 pounds during the first week

After following the method for

Bucking bronc is world's meanest rodeo horse

Photo by DAVID JENNINGS

RIDER Robert Etbauer on Alleycat.

By DICK DONOVAN

When a rodeo cowboy hunches down on the back of a thunderous stallion named Skoal Alleycat, he knows he's in for one hell of a ride — astride the toughest, the meanest, the most downright ornery bucking bronc in the world!

"He was born to buck," boasted stock breeder Greg Kesler, the man who mated Alleycat's sire and dam on his ranch in Alberta, Canada.

"In 1988, he was ridden twice. All the rest of the rodeo cowboys were bucked off. He's that good."

So good, in fact, that the top 30 saddle bronc riders in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association voted Alleycat as the toughest ride in the professional rodeo circuit.

One of those cowboys, 26-year-old Robert Etbauer, voted from personal experience. The six-year rodeo veteran drew Alleycat in the world championships in Las Vegas last year.

A cool $20,000 would be in Etbauer's jeans . . . if he could just hang onto Alleycat for eight lousy seconds. But he lost his grip . . . and the cash!

You'd think one ride would have been enough for Etbauer, but it wasn't. Fact is, he followed that horse to rodeos in two countries hoping for another chance, another ride.

So did Etbauer's brother Bill, who rode Alleycat twice . . . and got whipped twice!

It's not that the brothers hate Alleycat, it's just that they feel they have a score to settle with the big brute and they keep hoping to draw him for a ride.

"I'll always take him," 23-year-old Billy said. It's everybody's goal to draw Alleycat and ride him. It sure is mine.

"He's already thrown me twice. I may be crazy, but I'd rather have him than a bronc that doesn't buck."

Well, not too long ago, after a six-month wait, brother Robert drew Alleycat for his ride in a rodeo in Winnipeg, Canada. "I was scared," Robert confessed. "Nobody wants to make a fool of himself. I made the ride in my mind, picturing myself riding him . . . and winning."

When the chute opened that night in the Keystone Center Arena, Alleycat exploded into the ring like a beast possessed by the devil himself.

Robert was hanging on, his free arm flailing, his spurs raking the big bronc's flanks. And when the horn sounded to end the ride, this time Robert was the victor, not Alleycat.

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***AFTER:** See for yourself. Now I weigh 114 pounds. I never thought I could lose so much weight; 37 pounds in four weeks.*

couldn't believe it. My clothing was already too big for me. My boyfriend started looking at me differently. He told me, "You look prettier to me. Have you lost weight?" Then I told him everything...

I continued slimming down. I felt like I was constantly losing weight. In four weeks, I lost 37 pounds. And the best thing of all is that I have never felt so well. My parents, my friends, my neighbors couldn't believe their eyes when they saw me lose so many pounds. When I saw their reactions, I finally understood how much importance people attach to your figure.

And believe me, I have never received so much praise.

I'm just not the same any longer. I'm living a new life now that I'm slim. And at last, thanks to this method, I can eat anything I like because I no longer gain weight.

I now weigh 114 pounds, at 5'3"

For two weeks, I read the want ads in the newspaper every morning. Then, at last, I found one I like. I am certain I would never have gotten this job if I hadn't been slim.

Today I weigh 114 pounds (I'm

months now I haven't regained even 4 ounces. And now I'm sure that I'll never get fat again.

I have told lots of my friends who wanted to lose weight about this method. They have all lost weight. One of them lost 37 pounds in a little less than two months. I really believe that all women who have not been able to lose weight should try this method.

My boyfriend is delighted to see me so slim...and he told me that at the end of the month he was going to buy me a high-fashion dress. We went to the shop and I was crazy with happiness when the saleswoman congratulated me on my figure. My boyfriend has never been so proud of me.

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Every day, we receive testimonials from women who have lost weight. They say that, thanks to this method, they have lost 20, 30, 40 pounds, and even more. They add that this is the first time that they have really lost weight, and that this method doesn't have anything in common with any other method.

With this method, you can eat whatever you like. There is not a diet, you don't have to do calisthenics or take medications. You lose at least 10 pounds per week, until you reach your ideal weight. Afterwards, like so many others who have lost weight by this method, you won't gain it back.

Would you like to be a slim woman, too?

Do you want to really lose weight, and not worry about those excess pounds that prevent you from being really happy? Then do what Ana Teresa Amezaga and so many other women have done to lose weight with this method. Try it, even just out of curiosity since you don't risk losing a single cent. And if you don't do it for your own sake, do it for those who love you, for the one person who would like to see you really slim.

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DICK Hood awaits sex change.

Would-be woman whines: Work is ruining my figure

By JOE BERGER

Limp-wristed laborer Dick Hood stomped off his tree-chopping job in a foot-stomping huff — because it was playing hell with his girlish figure!

"It was far too heavy work for a woman," said dainty Dick, who's saving up for a sex-swap operation.

"I was developing muscles in all the wrong places."

The would-be belle is taking hormone treatments in preparation for the day he'll become a snip-and-tuck temptress.

He was ordered to work on an outdoor community service project after being convicted of a driving violation in Sittingbourne, England. And persnickety Dick, who wore a frilly bra and panties under his overalls, didn't mind a bit when they had him pulling weeds.

But when project bosses handed him an axe, the johnny-come-lately lady put his delicate foot down.

Indignant Dick, 38, sashayed back into court — wearing a blond wig, pearls and modest little skirt and blouse — and whined: "It's not fair to expect me to do heavy work. I'm a woman in a man's body — and I want to look like a woman."

Believe it or not, the judge bought it and pulled him off the job.

Later, delighted Dick told reporters he's been secretly getting dolled up in lady's duds since he was 14. His horrified wife dumped him when she caught him prancing around in her best undies.

But the make-believe lady says he's looking forward to the single life as a full-fledged femme fatale.

"I already have men asking me for dates when I get all dressed up," he said. "Of course, I don't go out with them now. But once I have my operation — look out."

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By PETE COOKE

"I'd be driving along, passing another car and the motor would just die," the 37-year-old Dayton, Ohio, neurosurgeon said.

But it was hardly the only thing Dr. Singer had to complain about in the lawsuit he filed over the problem-plagued sports car.

"The brakes and the power steering don't work," Dr. Singer said. "The exhaust manifold has blown the last four times I drove the car."

"This is an extremely expensive same kind of car James Bond drove in the movies. You wouldn't expect these kinds of problems with a Ford or a Chevy and you certainly wouldn't expect them with an Aston Martin."

Dr. Singer has had the car for just over a year and in that time it has been in the shop for more than 70 days.

"At 5,000 miles Dr. Singer had to have the engine replaced," Burdge said.

"The car was in the shop for two months while they put a new engine in it and after I got it back the engine quit running twice while I was on the highway," Dr. Singer said.

The doctor said he has made 13 would probably destroy my credit forever.

"The car is sitting in my garage," he said. "I'm afraid to drive it and I'm still making payments on it. It's a beautiful car, if only it ran."

Burdge filed suit under Ohio's lemon law. "Dr. Singer doesn't want them to give him a new Aston Martin to replace his lemon," the lawyer said. "He just wants them to take the car back and return his money."

In the meantime, Dr. Singer has had to lease a Mercedes for transportation.

Lady cops' undies-color shocker

Cops in Vero Beach, Fla., say a weirdo has been calling and asking their female radio dispatchers about the color of their underwear.

"He has made hundreds of phone calls like that to departments all over central and south Florida," said detective Kevin Martin. "He would say my underwear.' Then he would ask the female dispatcher what kind or what color underwear she was wearing."

David Riley, 26, was charged with making a harassing phone call.

Guilty!

Child molester sets himself on fire during sentencing

A child molester calmly listened as the judge passed sentence, then doused himself with gasoline and set himself ablaze!

Canadian authorities said Darrell MacIntyre, 39, was hospitalized in good condition after a quick-thinking sheriff's deputy threw him to the floor of a Winnipeg courtroom and put out the flames with his bare hands. "Fortunately, the officer acted so quickly that MacIntyre wasn't burned too badly," said prosecutor Rob Finlayson. The prosecutor said MacIntyre had earlier entered a guilty plea to a charge of sexual assault for molesting a neighbor's 6-year-old daughter while he was baby-sitting. "After he entered the guilty plea he was released from custody pending sentencing," Finlayson said.

"MacIntyre showed up in court for sentencing and the judge gave him six months in jail and three years' probation."

The prosecutor said MacIntyre was immediately taken into custody and was being led away to jail when he suddenly pulled out a small bottle of gasoline and a lighter.

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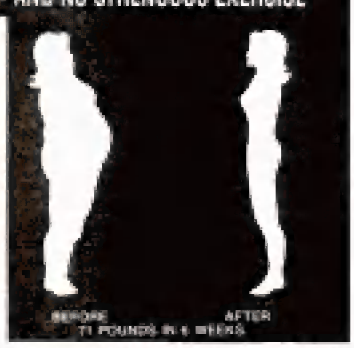

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Gal fined for lawn stomping in high heels

A 48-year-old woman has been ordered to pay $88 to her neighbors because she slipped into a pair of high heels — and stomped on their lawn!

A court in London declared that Judith Abercrombie "slyly and in a vindictive manner" stomped on grass owned by widowed sisters Winifred Burrows and Lillian Priddy.

The elderly ladies testified that Miss Abercrombie walked her dog on their yard, intentionally stamping her heels into the turf.

They also said they heard her tell the dog: "Come on — let's go back and do it again."

HOLE EATS TWO BUSES

At least 31 people were killed and 50 more injured when a pair of buses plunged into a 100-feet sinkhole! The bizarre accident happened on a road near Estancia, Brazil. The drivers of the buses apparently didn't realize that a section of the roadway had sunk until it was too late to stop, reports said.

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Murder suspect's shocking confession:

I stabbed her in the neck . . . and it felt good!

SUSPECT Thomas Lydon Jr. told cops killing the sleeping nurse gave him a feeling of power.

By PETE COOKE

"It felt good," a high school dropout told police in a shocking confession that described in sickening detail how he stabbed a sleeping nurse in the neck and watched her die.

"I felt a real high, a sense of power when I stabbed her and when she died," Thomas Lydon Jr. admitted to cops in Riverhead, N.Y., after his arrest in the murder of 35-year-old Lea Greene.

Authorities said Lydon, 21, and a pal broke into the nurse's apartment looking for drugs to steal. Lydon told police investigators that while his friend Danny Toal, 19, was ripping off electronics equipment, he went into the bedroom and found Miss Greene asleep there.

"I walked to the bedroom and stood next to the lady in the bed," Lydon said.

"I sat down on the bed. She was sleeping so deep I checked to see if she was breathing. Danny was out disconnecting the stereo to take. I stood up with the knife in my hand and stared at her for a pretty long time."

Lydon told police he then plunged his switchblade into the nurse's neck.

"I stabbed the woman right in the neck," he said.

"She woke up and looked at me. I kept the knife in her neck and moved it around. I heard her larynx break.

VICTIM Lea Greene

"I had my left hand on her heart and I timed how long it took for the woman to die. She was bleeding a lot," Lydon continued. "I couldn't believe all the blood, all over the place. I could feel 74 heartbeats before she died.

"I counted."

When the victim was dead, "I put a blanket over the lady's head out of respect," Lydon said.

. . . then I counted 74 heartbeats before she died

Lydon told cops that killing the helpless woman gave him a feeling of power.

"She died and I lived," he said. "It felt good." A neighbor called police to report seeing two men loading Miss Greene's VCR, microwave, stereo and other household items into a car.

Lydon and Toal were arrested at a service station as they gassed up the car.

"Murder wasn't necessary to commit this crime," said prosecutor Edward Jablonski. "She was asleep. She didn't wake up until they stabbed her in the throat. Lydon was on a thrill trip.

"I think he was really getting off on this murder."

Lydon and Toal were indicted on murder and burglary charges and ordered held without bond in the county jail.

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Fake cop attacks 5 women

A bogus cop has attacked five women after shining his spotlight on their cars and pulling them to the side of the road!

Los Angeles County investigators said the victims have described the man as white, in his 20s, about six feet tall with light-colored, shoulder-length hair.

side of the road, demanded to see their licenses and then hit them or tried to drag them out of their cars.

All of the victims escaped without serious injury by fighting back, cops said.

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Weight Loss Pill Approved for U.S. Gov't. Patent

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (Special) – An amazing new weight loss pill called "fat-magnet" has recently been developed and perfected by two prominent doctors at a world famous hospital in Los Angeles that reportedly "guarantees" you steady fat loss and calorie reduction by simply taking their tested and proven new pill.

The U.S. government has just approved the doctors claims for a hard-to-get patent that confirms "there has never been anything like their fat-bonding pill process before." It is a totally new major scientific breakthrough and is revolutionizing the weight loss industry.

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106-year-old romeo's still chasing gals!

SPRY oldster Ray English has never smoked or drunk booze but he's always liked the ladies.

Chasing pretty girls is the key to a long and happy life, said spunky oldster Ray English, but he can't catch 'em any more — cause he's 106 years young.

Ex-poultry farmer hasn't lost his eye for a pretty chick

"The mind's willing and that's about it," said the retired chicken farmer from tiny Whitney Point, N.Y., who has outlived three wives.

"He still likes to dance and has an eye for the women," said Ray's oldest son, Roger, 77. "He goes right after the girls when we take him for lunch on Wednesdays. We have to hold him back!"

"I never smoked or drank, but yes, I chased women," said the spry old guy who was born on July 1, 1883, near Binghamton, N.Y.

Ray wasn't known as the Don Juan of Whitney Point, but he was a lively, outgoing man and the women loved to be with him.

"Dad always said the good Lord gave him two good eyes and when he saw a pretty woman, he went after her."

He caught three of the women and married them. "He was faithful to all his wives and grieved when they died," said Roger.

"I never had a craving for liquor," said Ray. "It clouds your mind and makes you do foolish things. And it makes your breath bad.

"Women like someone who is fun to be with," he said. "In my courting days, I never said anything to a woman I didn't mean — good or bad. Being honest is important."

Time has taken its toll on Ray, who lives in a retirement home run by Nelda Cole. Though his legs are a bit wobbly, Ray still likes to dance.

"He has a real snappy dance step," said Mrs. Cole. "He asked me to dance one night and when we stopped, he said, 'Can we do it again?' " she said.

"My dad has always had a zest for life," said Roger. "He still likes to flirt, but he's mannerly. He escorted quite a few women around in his day" — between wives."

Roger and his brother, Norman, 72, take their dad out for a long lunch at a diner every Wednesday. "I get to see some pretty young faces," said Ray. "Never been nothing wrong with looking at a pretty face."

Waitresses at the diner treat him like a king. "They make a fuss over my dad and he isn't bashful about returning the favor," said Roger.

"Dad charms them out of their shoes with compliments, but he's a gentleman and never goes too far," said Roger. "They love him to pieces."

"He's a little deaf but in remarkably good health for his age," said Mrs. Cole. "But he still has a twinkle in those old eyes and a devilish smile."

Robbers lose 10 bucks in stickup

Two stupid robbers ran out of a store after a clerk refused to be held up — and even left $10 of their own money behind.

The dumb bandits plunked down $10 and asked clerk Marlon Russman for soft drinks and a quart of milk. Then one of the crooks whipped out a gun and demanded money.

When Russman refused, the gunmen turned tail and fled from the store in Colorado Springs, Colo. But they forgot to pick up their $10.

HISTORY'S MOST-HENPECKED HUSBAND

Wife locks mate in homemade cell for 50 years

By JEAN PAUL TATIER

Fire-breathing bride Louise G. Pomme was so incensed when she caught her new hubby sneaking a belt with the boys that she tossed the bony little bookkeeper into a cage — and kept him there for nearly 50 years!

During his half-century of imprisonment, hapless Claude Pomme was allowed out of his pen to use the bathroom, wash dishes, clean the house — and occasionally to make love to his tyrannical, 200-pound wife.

But the minute those chores were completed, puny Claude high-tailed it back into his cage and mighty Louise slammed the door shut.

"He has to be the most henpecked husband of all time," said Paul Lavisse, the policeman who finally freed Claude from his ridiculous predicament.

The bizarre saga began in 1939 when the beefy belle and her weak-kneed sweetie were wed in a church outside Paris.

"It was a laughable situation," said Louise's sister, Claudine Chastel. "He was such a skittish little man and Louise bossed him around like a dog. I think he married her because he was afraid of what she'd do to him if he refused."

Fainthearted Claude knuckled under to Louise's every whim until the fateful night employees at the jewelry shop where he kept the books asked him to stop for a drink after work.

The jumpy groom figured one snort wouldn't hurt and accepted the invitation. But before he could knock one back, Louise barged through the barroom door and hauled him away.

"She literally took him by the ear and yanked him out of there," a coworker recalled 50 years later.

Louise, then 21, led Claude home — and never let him leave the house again.

The wide-bodied bride forced her husband to quit his job. Within two days, she'd constructed a 10-by-12 foot cage in the basement — and informed Claude that would be his home forever.

"He spent 90 percent of his life cooped up in that little cell with just a chair and a mattress," said the policeman who freed him.

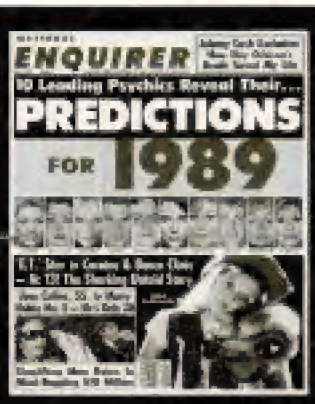
"But other than his being penned up like an animal, I guess you could say he wasn't mistreated. He got nice hot meals.

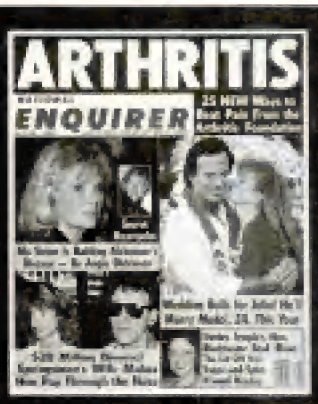
"The little guy had no family and no real friends, so nobody ever came around asking for him."

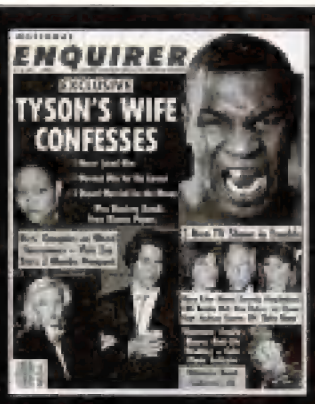
Claude finally won his freedom the day his aging wife stormed into the street to scream at a cabbie who'd passed her by — and was run down by a bus.

As she lay in critical condition in a hospital, police went to her home to notify the next of kin and found her mousy mate in his cage. By the time they'd returned to the hospital, Louise had died. Claude, 73, and Louise's sister Claudine filled in police on his half-century under house arrest.

"You would think he'd have been overjoyed to be free, but he sat and cried like a baby when he found out she was gone," said Lavisse. "He said without her he had nothing to live for."







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"Although it's true that a man will ideally transfer his allegiance to his wife, he will never be as needy for another woman's love as for his mother's."

Mrs. Klein, who interviewed more than 700 men and women while doing research for her book, believes that the mother-son bond is so strong that denying it can lead to lifelong problems for males.

It has an enormous impact on a man's choice of a future mate, and affects his ability to express love and emotional needs in his relationships with others.

"We have a cultural taboo against the idea of a man being too dependent on his mother," she told *The NEWS*. "We're not comfortable about a son who is close to his mother. We push our sons away too early, demanding that they be independent before they are ready. It's an injustice to boys and it creates angry men who can't express feelings, who distrust women."

. . . says expert on family life

Men whose moms are critical and demanding are apt to look for a substitute mom.

"They will search for a woman who can make it all up to them, who will never criticize," said Mrs. Klein, who has a daughter and a son of her own.

Her research has shown that the ideal mother-son relationship is one in which both parties are complete individuals. "Both mutually care about each other and accept each other beyond the mother-son relationship," she said.

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Track operators claimed the icy conditions slowed the rabbit lure down so it couldn't attain its usual speed.

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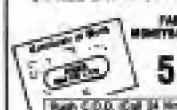

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The formula was then tested at another prestigious European university hospital. Again, all patients lost weight even though they did not change their eating habits. The report detailing this study, published in the British Journal of Nutrition, stated: "Body weight was significantly reduced even though the patients were specifically asked not to alter their dietary habits". One patient in this study lost more than 30 pounds.

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A business venture entered into on impulse some time ago takes off, with the potential for substantial extra income. Lucky you!

Someone you've had your eye on finds you very attractive.

TAURUS
Apr. 20-May 20

A new acquaintance has you walking around starry-eyed. Not to burst your bubble, Taurus, but you would be wise to check on this dreamboat's marital status before becoming involved.

The week's start finds you taking a firm stand on issues involving coworkers who you feel have been pushing you around.

Your superiors agree with you, and by midweek peace is restored.

The combined efforts of neighbors provide a pleasant interlude.

GEMINI
May 21-June 20

Happenings at the beginning of the week make you aware that family communication has broken down, and the need for finding a time to talk over problems and make plans is a must.

A mystery which has been disturbing your peace of mind is solved when a friend from the past visits and sheds new light on the subject.

Single Geminis find that romance flourishes with someone new — perhaps an employee at work — and marrieds find romance over a night out.

CANCER
June 21-July 22

Your first priority this week should be to list all the good and positive aspects of your life. You've let a doom-and-gloom attitude rule long enough, Cancer. The good life is yours for the taking.

Take domestic matters to heart this weekend, and harmony will reign.

Your mate may not have asked for attention, but he or she craves support. Give what your loved one needs.

The mail brings a special treat midweek and brightens outlook.

LEO
July 23-Aug. 22

It's an ideal time to redecorate, replace worn furniture and spruce up walls with fresh paint. A change of accessories could change the mood of your surroundings.

Midweek finds your mate in a worried and anxious state of mind, in need of Leo's special consideration and attention.

You may find it difficult to discourage one who is trying to influence you; stand your ground, and by week's end your persistent refusal will pay off.

VIRGO
Aug. 23-Sept. 22

How about indulging yourself for a change, Virgo? Plan a day devoted to all your favorite pursuits and that blue mood you've been harboring may disappear. It's worth a try!

Distractions from all sides at week's beginning interfere with your performance at work, but by midweek tasks are completed on time, and you can relax.

Patience and self-control will be needed to settle dispute with in-laws. Try to keep an open mind during discussions.

LIBRA
Sept. 23-Oct. 22

This period finds Libra suffering a minor career crisis brought about by exhaustion from both overwork and an intense exercise program.

Prevent a future reoccurrence by reevaluating your schedule and use of free time.

Events early in the week frustrate your efforts in planning a romantic weekend with your partner, but later things fall into place and you have smooth sailing.

Married Libras should tread lightly over the weekend.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23-Nov. 21

A coworker causes problems early in the week. You can win them over by following simple rules of how to win friends and influence people. Remember, flattery will get you everywhere.

Take a bow, Scorpio. During this period, a project to which you have been devoting all your spare time pays off in a big way, bringing you the satisfaction of success, and the admiration of those around you.

A celebration with loved ones is called for.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22-Dec. 21

An invitation issued by someone with whom you have a longtime love/hate relationship disturbs your week, while you decide whether or not to accept.

Midweek, your powers of persuasion enable you to convince coworkers that your ideas are valid. Seek support from Pisces.

The week finds you accident-prone, so buckle up and drive carefully as well as being cautious in and around your home.

Avoid crowds and big meetings.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Time to realize your limitations, Capricorn.

It's impossible to be all things to all people at all times. Your desire to do so has drained your energies to an all-time low.

Spend this period reflecting on who you are, and accept yourself and you'll find that tranquil existence you long for.

A short vacation gets off to a bad start, but on the second day you and your beloved unwind and the remaining time proves enjoyable.

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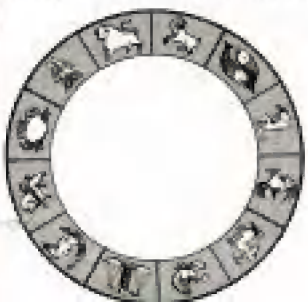

Three exciting new prospects for advancement and prosperity will suddenly plop in your lap. Don't be greedy and try to cash in on all three. Just one will provide financial security.

Your organizational abilities will be recognized by a group of friends who will ask you to head their club.

You'll come close to being hurt in a narrow scrape on a city street.

Romance is well-starred, and a marriage could be in the cards for you by the end of the year.

Steer clear of sweets pressed on you by family who don't respect your diet.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20-Feb. 18

During this period, nagging health problems and persistent physical discomfort increase your use of over-the-counter medication, which may cause allergic reactions.

Get professional advice before starting a self-help program.

During the week you have the opportunity to settle a long-standing dispute with someone very close to you.

Be gracious and willing to accept your responsibility for the misunderstanding. They'll love you for it.

PISCES
Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Someone holding a key position in your favorite social organization makes you feel like a nobody, but later other members seek your company and soothe your hurt feelings.

After talks about property and loans, you'll be able to get on with plans for a new place to call home.

Your busy schedule catches up with you and by week's end you feel frustrated and rushed.

A day spent quietly with family members will give you energy and vitality.

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Blind cowpoke pleads with neigh-saying bigwigs:

'Don't take away my seeing-eye horse!'

HE'S 69 years old and blind, but determined cowboy George Bradford is locked in a desperate struggle with city bigwigs to keep his faithful seeing-eye horse, Blue Rocky.

By DICK DONOVAN

Blind cowboy George Bradford is in a desperate fight with heartless officials who are threatening to separate him from his best friend — his seeing-eye horse Blue Rocky!

Blue Rocky is an incredible four-legged critter who knows when it's safe to cross a busy intersection, and that makes it possible for 69-year-old George to ride into town whenever he wants to.

"You know, I could get kinda down and out 'cause I can't work," the one-time Texas cowboy said. "But I get on that old horse of mine and ride five or six miles and, hey! I get a different outlook on life. I'm completely independent."

Not only is George independent when he's sitting astride his faithful guide, he's as safe as if he were nestled in his bed.

When Blue Rocky comes to a busy intersection, he stands firm and doesn't budge until he sees the traffic moving in the direction George wants him to take.

But officials in Artesia, N.M., are threatening to jerk that independence right out from under old George — if he doesn't start cleaning up Blue Rocky's plops.

Seems a neighbor complained that the smell is a bit too much to endure. That prompted the city council to revoke a lifetime zoning ordinance that allows George to keep Blue Rocky and another horse inside the city limits.

George was also fined $100, but that penalty was overturned on appeal. Now, city officials have given him a year to persuade them to reinstall the zoning variance or move the horses.

And getting rid of Blue Rocky would be devastating to George. It would be like a blind man losing his seeing-eye dog.

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Brother and sister, sold into slavery as kids, are reunited

Brother and sister George and Rita Wilkins have met for the first time since they were separated while they were children — when they were both sold into slavery!

Incredibly, orphanage officials in England were permitted until 1967 to send kids to Australia, where they lived a cruel life as child laborers. George and Rita — now in their 40s — were sent to a government-sponsored farm school where they were forced to dig, plow and harvest to earn their keep.

For Rita the experience was so devastating that she left Australia and her brother behind and returned to England as a shattered teen. George, too young to go with her, labored on at the farm alone.

"At the farm we were slaves," recalled George, who recently traveled to England to find his long lost sister. "No one had the right to play God with our lives, to dump us 20,000 miles from home."

George was 10 in 1950 when he and his sister were sent to the Fairbridge Farm School in Molong, New South Wales. "We had been foster kids for years, but we thought our parents would be joining us," he recalled.

"At Fairbridge you were just a number. There was no love or affection, no friendly arm on the shoulder."

But George was determined to make something of himself and to escape the drudgery of farm life. He left the school at 17 and joined the Army. At 40 he went to university and earned a degree.

He and his wife established a chain of video rental stores — and today, George is a millionaire!

Last August George met Rita again for the first time in years.

They are happy to be reunited — but both are still angry about their experiences.

"For good or bad, England was our home," said George as he visited his sister's Skelmersdale, England, home. "We had a right to live there."

GEORGE and Rita Wilkins last saw each other as kids.

Man sentenced to die for fake booze

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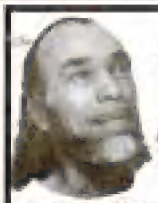

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Many in the scientific world believe that the lack of good metabolism is the primary reason why some people gain weight while others don't. They explain: "Visualize food as fuel and the body as a furnace. A furnace that doesn't function properly leaves residues. Likewise, people with a bad metabolism don't burn enough calories. The residual calories turn into fat."

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Heart patient: NEWS story on super spice made me a new man!

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By EARL STACK
Medical Writer

Hiram Shannon was bedridden with a heart condition for 19 hellish months but he's up and around now — thanks to a miracle spice he read about in *Weekly World News!*

The 68-year-old retiree had suffered from a wildly irregular heartbeat and high blood pressure for most of his adult life. And when his condition worsened in October 1987, he went to bed and found that he rarely had the energy to get up.

All that changed when he got his hands on the April 25 edition of *The NEWS* and read that herbalist John Christopher was touting cayenne pepper as a cure for everything from high blood pressure and obesity to heart disease.

HEART PATIENT Hiram Shannon jumps for joy. He'd been confined to bed for 19 months — until he read our story on the miracle spice.

I feel 20 years old again, says retiree

Shannon tried it. Twelve days later he was feeling much better. And now, three short months later, the Sanford, Fla., man says: "There are times that I feel like I'm 20 years old.

"My heartbeat and blood pressure are back to normal and I'm back to doing all the chores around the house. I feel so good that I stay busy from daylight until after dark.

"I owe it all and give my sincere thanks to *Weekly World News* for publishing the article on cayenne pepper, and to Dr. Christopher for discovering its benefits."

As *The NEWS* reported in April, Dr. Christopher started drinking a special cayenne tea to lower his blood pressure when he was 35.

He continued to use the spice to maintain superior health until his death at a ripe old age.

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For a reprint of our story on how cayenne pepper can cure everything from high blood pressure and obesity to heart disease, please send a stamped, self-addressed #10 envelope to Super Spice, *Weekly World News*, 600 S. East Coast Avenue, Lantana, FL 33462.

SPICE story ran in the Apr. 25, 1989, *Weekly World News*.

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Sicko moms-to-be use cocaine to abort their babies!

Women across the country are using cocaine for a shocking new purpose — they're triggering abortions with the drug!

According to the National Association for Perinatal Addiction Research and Education, the past three years have seen a drastic increase in the practice. Fetuses are starved of oxygen by the mother's use of large amounts of cocaine and spontaneously abort, saving Mom the expense of

cheaper, faster and more efficient to do it themselves," said Ira Chasnoff, head of the Chicago association.

Unfortunately, cocaine abortions cause heavy bleeding in the mother and if the

For goodness snakes!

Folks at a doughnut shop in Toronto, Canada, give Trik Stockley a wide berth as the 4-year-old munches a cookie while his pet python, Killer, waits around for crumbs.

Owner's too fat to fit in his new dream car

He put on 80 pounds during five-year wait for delivery

By LAUREL BOWIE

Beefy Bernie Periel waited five long years on pins and needles for a dealer to deliver his $28,000 dream car — then found he was too fat to fit behind the wheel!

"This is awful. I'm about ready to cry," the 275-pound plumber told reporters in Marseilles, France.

"I've scrimped and saved all my life for this car. And now that I have it, I find I'd need a giant shoehorn just to wedge me into the driver's seat."

Jubilant Bernie, 43, was a relatively svelte 195 pounds when he ordered his classic Morgan sports car in 1984.

"I was like a kid in a candy store," he recalled. "The car they had on display there fit me like a glove."

But the British-made Morgan is in such short supply it took five years before wide-bodied Bernie's dream machine showed up at his door.

"During the wait, I was so nervous I started eating everything in sight and packing on the pounds," said the flabby father of four.

"I never imagined they made those things so small I wouldn't be able to get in."

But flabbergasted Bernie's physique and the law of physics collided head-on when he strained to squeeze behind the wheel — and discovered his beer belly was just too big.

"I huffed and puffed, but there was just no way to pry myself in there," groaned the porky plumber.

"You'd think if science can send a man to the moon, they could make a sports car that guys like me could get into, but this wasn't even close. I'm really heartsick."

But as much as he longs to tool around town in his gleaming new wheels, bewildered Bernie doesn't know whether to diet or let the dream die.

"I have to decide which I love the most, my Morgan or

Practical joke on boss lays a couple of eggs

Public official Dave Brosman left a carton of eggs on his desk over a four-day weekend — and returned to find two chicks scratching around on his desk.

But it turned out the baby birds didn't hatch from the eggs — but sprang from the fertile imagination of mischievous friends.

Secretary Marian Peterson

official in Albuquerque, N. Mex., that the chicks had come from the eggs he'd left lying about. A local newspaper picked up that version of the bizarre tale and soon folks across the country were repeating it.

But the secretary later admitted she'd hatched the plot with coworker and egg dealer Gary Daves, who brought the

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By DICK DONOVAN

A loving mom made the supreme sacrifice when she forfeited her own life to save her 2-month-old baby from a runaway car!

Heroic 29-year-old Claire Ordonez managed to push her baby's stroller out of the path of an accused drunk driver's speeding car just a split second before it crushed her beneath its wheels and dragged her 70 feet down the street.

The terrible tragedy climaxed a day-long family outing on City Island, a popular recreation area in New York's Long Island Sound off The Bronx.

"My sister looked up and saw the car coming," the dead mom's anguished sister Esther said. "She pushed the stroller as hard as she could. She saved little Julio's life, thank God."

Mrs. Ordonez was pushing her baby's stroller across a City Island street when a station wagon driven by 50-year-old Ventura Lopez began backing up at high speed.

"She was trying to put her hand out to stop the car," witness Charlie Moore recalled. "She didn't have time to get herself out of the

Fisherman bops gator in snout and escapes

Husky fisherman William Barger freed himself from the deadly jaws of a 7-foot gator by doubling up his fists — and punching the hungry critter in the head.

Barger, 6-foot-2 and 230 pounds, had stepped into a lake near Holiday, Fla., to untangle a fish on his line from weeds when the gator struck.

"I punched him on the top of the head, punched him real hard, and he let go. In fact, my wrist is swollen," said Barger.

The gator released his grip and Barger lived to fish another day. But he suffered two

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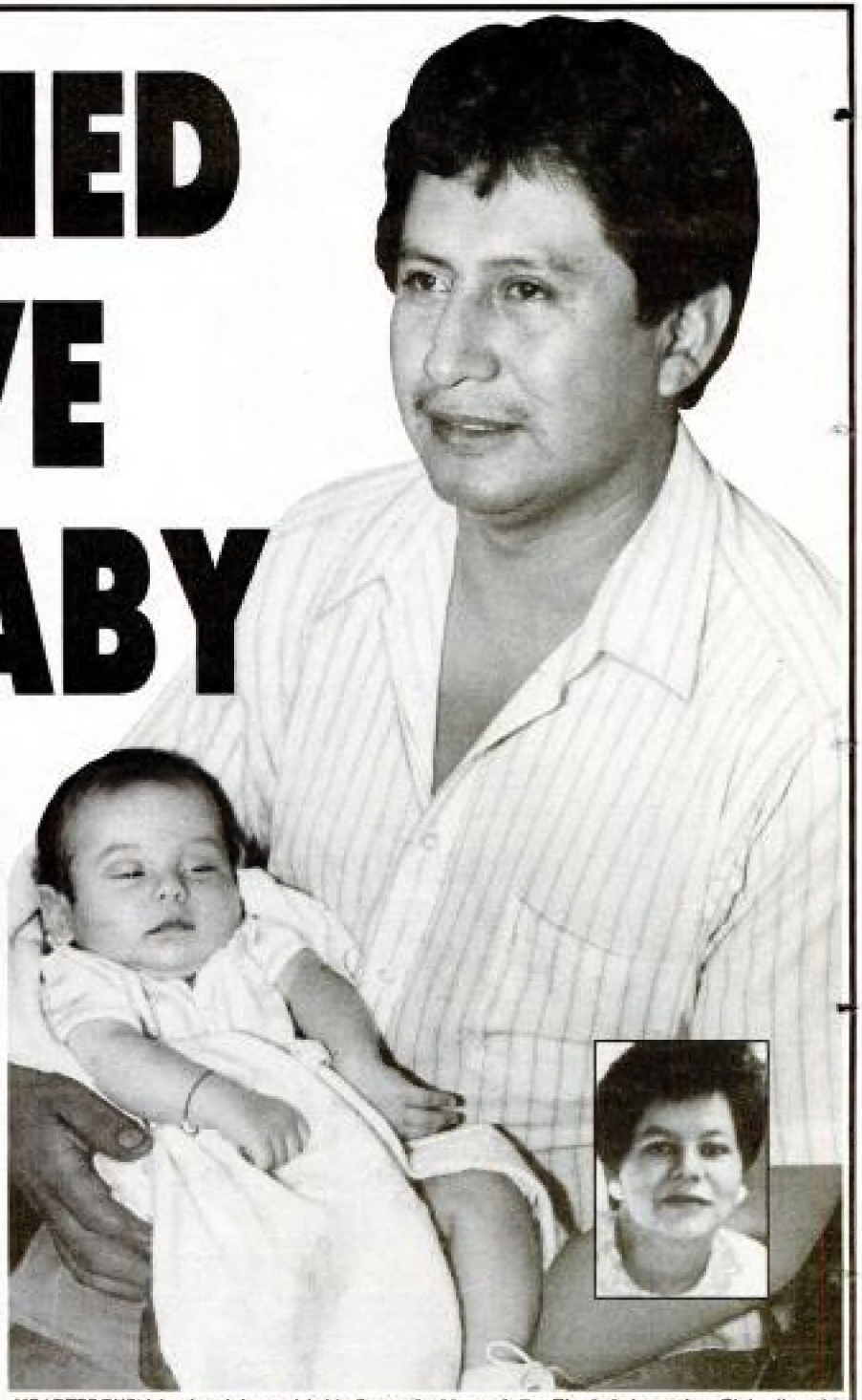
She shoved stroller to safety as drunk driver's car roared toward them



HEARTBROKEN husband Jose with his 2-month-old son Julio. The baby's mother Claire (inset) gave up her life to save the child as a car roared toward them.

way. But she did save the baby."

A witness said that after slamming into Mrs. Ordonez, the station wagon careened backward across a busy boulevard, then plowed into a truck, knocking it four feet onto the sidewalk. Off-duty cop Mike Celentano heard the explosive crash and ran to see what had happened. By the time he got to the wreckage, a large crowd had gathered.

He said he pulled Lopez from his car, then helped others lift the vehicle off Mrs. Ordonez' bloody body. That gruesome sight turned the crowd mean.

"They looked like they were going to tear the driver's head off," Celentano said. "I sat him down on the grass and stayed with him until the cops came."

Celentano described Lopez as being so drunk he couldn't stand up. "He was oblivious," he said.

Mrs. Ordonez, with little Julio in his stroller, had just left a restaurant where she and family members had capped off their outing. Her husband, Jose, had left the restaurant earlier because he was having car trouble.

"I can't believe Claire is dead," the grieving husband said through his tears. "We were so happy with our baby."

Lopez, a father of four, is charged with vehicular homicide and driving while intoxi-

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Gunman chews glass to prove he's tough

A rifle-toting gunman, who was shot in the arm by cops, wanted to prove he was tougher than any of them so he chewed up a whiskey bottle and spit out the glass.

The bizarre incident in a Canadian trailer park near Desmarais, Alberta, started when the Royal Canadian Mounted Police were called to investi-

Leonard Cardinal, 20, holding a rifle.

"I ordered him to put it down," said Cpl. John Vardy. "He was taking aim — he was pointing it right at me — so I had to fire," he said.

Cpl. Vardy shot once, hitting Cardinal in the arm and knocking him to the ground. But on

to prove he was the better of the two.

"He decided to show he was really tough and he took out a broken bottle of rye whiskey and started chewing on it and then spit it out on the floor," Cpl. Vardy said.

Cardinal was treated for the gunshot wound and charged

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